

Domestic Terrorism Disrupted

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MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — FBI officials said Monday that they foiled a terrorist attack that was being planned in a small western Minnesota town, but they offered no details about the exact



FBI agents with Buford Rogers during a raid in Montevideo, Minn. Authorities said Monday, May 6, that Rogers was arrested Friday and that the agency believes it disrupted a potential terror attack.

(AP Photo/Jeremy Jones)

targets of the attack — or the motive of the man accused of having a cache of explosives and weapons in a mobile home. The FBI said "the lives of several local residents were potentially saved" with the arrest of Buford Rogers, 24, who made his first appearance Monday in U.S. District Court in St. Paul on one count of being a felon in possession of a firearm. Rogers, of Montevideo, was arrested Friday after authorities searched a mobile home he's associated with and found Molotov cocktails, suspected pipe bombs and firearms, according to a court affidavit.

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Neighbor Charles Ramsey speaks to media near the home on the 2200 block of Seymour Avenue, where three missing women were rescued in Cleveland, on Monday, May 6, 2013. Cheering crowds gathered on the street where police said Amanda Berry, Gina DeJesus and Michele Knight, who went missing about a decade ago and were found earlier in the day.

(AP Photo/Scott Shaw)

3 missing women found in Cleveland, man arrested

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CLEVELAND (AP) — Three women who went missing about a decade ago were found alive Monday in a residential area just south of downtown, and a man was arrested.

Cheering crowds gathered Monday night on the street near the home where police said Amanda Berry, Gina DeJesus and Michele Knight were found earlier in the day. Police didn't immediately provide any details of how the women were found but said they appeared to be in good health. Berry disappeared at age 16 on April 21, 2003, when she called her sister



Cleveland Police stand outside a home where they say missing women, Amanda Berry, Gina DeJesus and Michele Knight were found in the 2200 block of Seymour Avenue in Cleveland on Monday, May 6, 2013. The three women who went missing about a decade ago were found alive in a residential area just south of downtown, and a man was arrested.

(AP Photo/Plain Dealer, Scott Shaw)

to say she was getting a ride home from her job at a Burger King fast food restaurant. DeJesus went missing at age 14 on her way home from school about a year later. They were found just a few miles (kilometers) from where they had gone missing. The Plain Dealer newspaper reports Knight had been missing since 2002. Police said a 52-year-old man was arrested. There was no immediate word on charges. Loved ones said they hadn't given up hope of seeing Berry and DeJesus again. Among them was Kayla Rogers, a childhood friend of DeJesus.

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Undated family photo shows Timothy Tracy inside of a vehicle in Venezuela. (AP Photo/Family photo)

Family: No US access to man held in 'nightmare'

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CARACAS, Venezuela (AP)

— U.S. diplomats have been given no access to a California man held in Venezuela for nearly two weeks in what his family on Monday called a "nightmare" that unfolded after he was accused of being a spy fomenting postelection unrest.

The family of Timothy Tracy, 35, told The Associated Press in a statement that "we hope that he is granted consular access very soon."

The U.S. State Department confirmed that diplomats have not been allowed to see Tracy, who is held by the Venezuelan intelligence service. It is standard practice for countries holding foreign citizens to allow diplomats to see them to confirm that they are being treated humanely, and help them negotiate the local court system.

Tracy's family says he is a filmmaker who had been making a documentary about Venezuelan politics for six months. Tracy's friends said he had been briefly detained by Venezuelan authorities twice before but decided to continue his work.

"We have been living in a nightmare," the family said in the emailed statement. "We have been in communication with Timmy and have been assured that he is being treated well."

The family did not immediately respond to requests for further comment.

Venezuelan officials allege Tracy was working on behalf of U.S. intelligence and paid young protesters to participate in violent demonstrations against the ruling party, which narrowly won the April 14 presidential election. The opposition is contesting the results because it says President Nicolas Maduro won by fraud.

U.S. President Barack Obama has said that the accusations against Tracy are "ridiculous."

Venezuelan Justice Minister Miguel Rodriguez reiterated the charges against Tracy in an interview with a local television station Sunday, saying that "all his activity is what we in intelligence would call a front."

"When one wants to do intelligence work in another country — above all these big powers to do this kind of work and espionage — they often use a filmmaking, documentary-making, photography or journalism as a front," Rodriguez said. Tensions have been running high in Venezuela since the election, with the opposition seeking regional support for its claims that the vote was stolen, and the government claiming its opponents are working with Washington and U.S.-allied nations to destabilize the socialist government and even assassinate Maduro. □

Israeli airstrike in Syria aimed at Iran

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BEIRUT (AP) — From Israel's perspective, its airstrikes near Damascus were more about Iran than Syria: Tehran's shipment of guided missiles destroyed in the weekend attacks would have posed a potent threat had the weapons reached Iranian proxy Hezbollah in Lebanon.

While Israel says it has no interest getting involved in the Syrian civil war, it could find itself drawn into the conflict if Syrian leader Bashar Assad's Iranian patrons continue to use his territory to ship arms to Hezbollah.

Repeated Israeli strikes would almost certainly prompt Syrian retaliation, yielding a nightmare scenario in which Israel finds itself in a Syrian morass

raeli military intervention, including the delivery of "game-changing" weapons to Hezbollah.

The first test of this policy came in January when an Israeli airstrike in Syria destroyed a shipment of advanced anti-aircraft missiles bound for Hezbollah, according to U.S. officials. Israel and Hezbollah fought an inconclusive monthlong war in 2006 and are bitter enemies.

When Israeli intelligence determined last week that sophisticated Iranian-made Fateh-110 missiles had entered Syria, the military prepared to strike again. Although Israel has not officially confirmed the operation, a senior official said a first airstrike at a Damascus airport early Friday destroyed most of the shipment, while a series of subsequent airstrikes on near-

tacks by the rebels on their areas than Israeli strikes.

The rebels' weapons are less accurate than Israeli missiles, said Fadi, a 29-year-old businessman who would not give his last name for fear of repercussions for talking to the foreign media.

While also less concerned about the Israeli strikes, "it's very disgusting to have the Israeli mess around with our country's sovereignty," he said in a phone interview.

Assad's regime has tried to portray the rebels as traitors engaged in a foreign-led conspiracy. Syrian officials stepped up those claims after Sunday's strikes, alleging the opposition is cooperating with Israel.

The Israeli attacks pose a problem for those trying to topple Assad because ordinary Syrians might be convinced that there is



Iranian and Syrian students chant slogans during an anti-Israeli demonstration in front of the UN office in Tehran, Iran, Monday, May 6, 2013. Iran Condemns Israeli Air strikes on Syria and urged countries in the region to stand against the attack. Persian, reads, "at your service Khamenei."

(AP Photo/Ebrahim Noroozi)

teeming with jihadi rebels, sectarian hatred and chemical weapons.

For the West, it offers another compelling argument that the Syrian war must somehow be brought to an end.

Since the uprising in Syria began in March 2011, Israel has carefully avoided taking sides.

At the same time, Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu has repeatedly declared a series of red lines that could trigger Is-

raeli military intervention, including the delivery of "game-changing" weapons to Hezbollah.

Residents in Damascus said they felt and heard several huge blasts before dawn Sunday. Radwan Midani, a 25-year-old office assistant, said he "saw the sky light up." Midani and others in the Syrian capital said they were more concerned about random mortar at-

something to the regime claims, said Elizabeth O'Bagy of the Institute for the Study of War, a Washington think tank.

"The idea of the conspiracy of Israel working with the opposition becomes that more real," she said. The Britain-based Syrian Observatory for Human Rights, an anti-regime group, said at least 42 Syrian soldiers were killed in Sunday's strike, citing information from military hospitals. □

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"I've been praying, never forgot about her, ever," Rogers told The Plain Dealer. "This is amazing. This is a celebration. I'm so happy. I just want to see her walk out of those doors so I can hug her."

Berry's cousin Tasheena Mitchell told the newspaper she couldn't wait to have Berry in her arms.

"I'm going to hold her, and I'm going to squeeze her and I probably won't let her go," she said.

In January, a prison inmate was sentenced to 4 1/2 years after admitting he provided a false burial tip in the disappearance of Berry, who had last been seen the day before her 17th birthday. A judge in Cleveland sentenced Robert Wolford on his guilty plea to obstruction of justice, making a false report and making a false alarm. Last summer, Wolford tipped authorities to look



Tasheena Mitchell, cousin of Amanda Berry celebrates outside of MetroHealth Medical Center after Berry, Gina DeJesus and Michele Knight were found in a house on Seymour Avenue in Cleveland, Monday, May 6, 2013.

(AP Photo/The Plain Dealer, Gus Chan)

for Berry's remains in a Cleveland lot. He was taken to the location, which was dug up with backhoes.

Berry's mother, Louwana Miller, who had been hospitalized for months with pancreatitis and other ailments,

died in March 2006. She had spent the previous three years looking for her daughter, whose disap-

pearance took a toll as her health steadily deteriorated, family and friends said. Two men arrested for questioning in the disappearance of DeJesus in 2004 were released from the city jail in 2006 after officers did not find her body during a search of the men's house. One of the men was transferred to the Cuyahoga County Jail on unrelated charges, while the other was allowed to go free, police said.

In September 2006, police acting on a tip tore up the concrete floor of the garage and used a cadaver dog to search unsuccessfully for DeJesus' body.

No special alert was issued the day DeJesus failed to return home from school in April 2004 because no one witnessed her abduction. The lack of an alert angered her father, Felix DeJesus, who said in 2006 he believed the public will listen even if the alerts become routine. □

FBI:

US raid disrupts planned terror attack

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"The FBI believed there was a terror attack in its planning stages, and we believe there would have been a localized terror attack, and that's why law enforcement moved quickly to execute the search warrant on Friday to arrest Mr. Rogers," FBI spokesman Kyle Loven said Monday. He said the investigation is ongoing, and agents are looking at the case as one of domestic terrorism.

Loven said the investigation prohibits him from getting into details about Rogers' target, or his possible political or religious views, but he said the FBI is confident in calling this a "terror" situation. He also said the alleged target was believed to be in Montevideo, a city of about 5,000 people about 130 miles (210 kilometers) west of Minneapolis.

"We had information which

indicated that Mr. Rogers was involved in a plot to conduct terror activities in and around the Montevideo area," he said. He declined to say whether Rogers was believed to be acting alone or as part of a group, or if other arrests were expected.

Montevideo Police Chief Adam Christopher said a homemade sign in front of the mobile home that bore the letters "BSM" refers to a local anti-government militia group called the Black Snake Militia, which the Rogers family started.

"That is not a large scale, nationwide group, as far as I know," Christopher said. "I think it's kind of them, and their family, and a few of their friends." Mark Pitcavage, who researches militias for the Anti-Defamation League, said the Black Snake Militia is a movement that has slowly grown from about 50 active groups around the U.S. a few years



This photo shows the Northdale Park trailer home of Jeff and Margaret Rogers, parents of Buford Rogers, on Monday, May 6, 2013, in Montevideo, Minn. The FBI said "the lives of several local residents were potentially saved" with the arrest of Buford Rogers.

(AP Photo/The West Central Tribune, Tom Cherveney)

ago to more than 260 small groups today.

Pitcavage said there are "a whole lot of little militia cells out there with 6-8 people in there, which is what this seems to be. ...

It's teeny tiny, it's probably a group of like-minded friends who believe some of the same things."

Rogers' father, Jeff Rogers, told KMSP-TV his son doesn't own any guns, and

the guns in the home belonged to him. He said his son is not a terrorist.

"He was not out to bomb nobody and I have no clue where the hell that came from," Jeff Rogers said. "I have no idea of who the hell he'd even be targeting. He's not that kind of a person. I can guarantee you that." Rogers appeared in court Monday wearing a construction company T-shirt, baggy pants, and work boots. He answered "yes sir" and "no sir" to questions from U.S. Magistrate Tony Leung, who ordered him held pending a detention hearing Wednesday, citing "serious concerns."

Rogers was appointed a federal defender, but an attorney was not immediately assigned. Defendants do not typically enter pleas during initial appearances and he made no statement about the case to the court. □

Hole-in-one! Obama golfs with 3 senators, sinks ace

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WASHINGTON (AP) — Republican Sen. Saxby Chambliss didn't seem fazed by a rare congressional invitation to golf with President Barack Obama Monday, sinking a hole-in-one on the par-three 11th hole.

The ace shot helped lead Chambliss and Republican teammate Sen. Bob Corker or Tennessee to victory over the Democratic duo of Obama and Colorado Sen. Mark Udall on an outing meant to strengthen

quently plays on weekends with aides and friends. He once took along House Speaker John Boehner and has also included Rep. Jim Clyburn, but this was his first outing with any lawmaker in his second term.

The afternoon game added a recreational twist to Obama's months-long effort to strengthen ties with lawmakers, hoping some quality face time now can lay the groundwork for compromise on pressing issues down the road.

The foursome played under overcast skies that seemed

and not the latest legislative negotiations.

The White House and Democrats are working to secure support for an immigration overhaul — especially from Republicans. They're hoping that a strong bipartisan showing in the Senate will strengthen the bill's prospects for passing the Republican-controlled House of Representatives. Obama is also hoping to find common ground with lawmakers that could lead to a broad budget deal.

Corker and Chambliss fig-



President Barack Obama with, from left to right, Sen. Saxby Chambliss, R-Ga., Sen. Mark Udall, D-Colo., and Sen. Bob Corker, R-Tenn., on the golf course at Andrews Air Force Base, Md., Monday,

ties between the president and Congress.

Chambliss told reporters upon his triumphant return to Capitol Hill that "everyone went crazy" when he made the shot and there were high-fives all around. The president retrieved Chambliss' ball from the hole, while Corker took a picture.

"I told him since I made the hole-in-one, he ought to give us everything we want on entitlement reform," Chambliss said with a smile. That's Washington speak for legislation to change benefits like Social Security and Medicare.

Obama took the senators to a favorite course at Maryland's Andrews Air Force Base, where he fre-

to threaten rain that never came. Their game was cut short on the 15th hole so the senators could get back for a vote to allow states to tax Internet sales. The White House noted that the president was the weakest golfer in the group, with the highest handicap, and paired with fellow Democrat Udall, who has the lowest handicap. All three of the senators were ranked among the top 40 on Golf Digest's 2011 list of "Washington's Top 150 Golfers."

Obama, wearing a windbreaker and cap, chatted casually with the lawmakers in view of the reporters on the first green. The White House said the talk centered on their game

ure prominently on fiscal issues and also are being eyed as possible supporters on an immigration bill. Udall has a reputation for working across party lines and could be a player in bipartisan negotiations.

In recent weeks Obama has entertained senators from both parties at the White House, held dinners at a nearby hotel, traveled to Capitol Hill to meet with lawmakers and made countless phone calls.

Chambliss, who says he golfs 30 to 40 times a year, said he made another hole-in-one more than 20 years ago, but "this one's pretty special." He said he used a 5-iron and choked up on his club but couldn't tell if he sunk it. □

Diplomat: US team stopped from moving in on Benghazi

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WASHINGTON (AP) — A team of U.S. special forces ready to head to Benghazi, Libya, after the assault on the American diplomatic mission had ended was told to stand down, according to a former top diplomat.

Gregory Hicks also told Republicans on the House Oversight and Government Reform Committee that if the U.S. military had flown aircraft over the Benghazi facility after it came under siege it might have prevented the second attack on the CIA annex that killed two CIA security officers.

Excerpts of the interview with the former deputy chief in Libya were released Monday in advance of Hicks' testimony on Wednesday before the panel. The Sept. 11, 2012, assault killed Ambassador Chris Stevens and three other Americans. Nearly eight months later, Republicans insist that the Obama administration is guilty of a cover-up of the events despite a scathing independent report that faulted the State Department for inadequate security at the diplomatic mission.

Hicks' comments and the hearing are likely to revive the politically charged debate in which Republican lawmakers and outside groups have faulted former Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton, a possible presidential candidate in 2016.

After the first word of the attack in Benghazi, a seven-member security team, including two military personnel, flew from Tripoli to Benghazi. Upon their arrival, they learned that Stevens was missing and the situation had calmed after the first attack, according to a Pentagon timeline released last year.

Meanwhile, a second team was preparing to leave on a Libyan C-130 cargo plane from Tripoli to Benghazi when Hicks said he learned from the Libyan prime minister that Stevens was dead. The Libyan military agreed to transport

additional U.S. personnel to Benghazi on its cargo plane, but Hicks complained the special forces were told not to make the trip.

"They were told not to board the flight, so they missed it," Hicks told Republican committee staff. Pressed on why, he said, "I guess they just didn't have the right authority from the right level."

Defense officials said Monday that four members of Army special forces were in Tripoli on Sept. 11, 2012, as part of a regular training mission. The officials said they were trying to track down information about the Libyan cargo plane and could not verify whether or not the special forces were told not to get on the plane.

The officials, who spoke on condition of anonymity because they were not authorized to discuss the matter publicly, said it is normal procedure for U.S. service members to get permission to fly on another country's military aircraft.

That flight left Tripoli after the second attack on the CIA annex that killed two security officers — Tyrone Woods and Glen Doherty.

Hicks also contended that if the U.S. military has scrambled jet fighters after the first attack that it would have prevented the mortar attack on the CIA annex around 5:15 a.m.

"I believe the Libyans would have split. They would have been scared to death that we would have gotten a laser on them and killed them," Hicks said, according to the excerpts.

Former Defense Secretary Leon Panetta and other military leaders have said there wasn't enough time for the military to respond as the events in Benghazi occurred too quickly.

"The fact of the matter remains, as we have repeatedly indicated, that U.S. military forces could not have arrived in time to mount a rescue of those Americans who were killed and injured that night," said Pentagon press secretary George Little. □

Senate passes bill letting states tax online sales

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WASHINGTON (AP) — The Senate aimed to help traditional retailers and financially strapped state and local governments Monday by passing a bill that would widely subject U.S. online shopping—for many a largely tax-free frontier—to state sales taxes.

The Senate passed the bill by a vote of 69 to 27, getting support from Republicans and Democrats alike. But opposition from some conservatives who view it as a tax increase will make it a tougher sell in the House. President Barack Obama has conveyed his support for the measure.

Under current law, states can only require retailers to collect sales taxes if the store has a physical presence in the state.

That means big retailers with stores all over the country like Wal-Mart, Best Buy and Target collect sales taxes when they sell goods over the Internet. But online retailers like eBay and Amazon don't have to collect sales taxes, except in states where they have offices or distribution centers.

As a result, many online sales are tax-free, giving Internet retailers an advantage over brick-and-mortar stores.

"We ought to have a structure in place in the states that treats all retail the same," said Matthew Shay, president and CEO of the National Retail Federation. "Small retailers are collecting (sales tax) on the first dollar of any sale they make, and it's only fair that other retailers who are sell-



Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., laughs as he and Sen. Chuck Schumer, D-N.Y., left, cross paths at competing TV news interviews just before a vote in the Senate on legislation to collect sales tax on internet purchases, on Capitol Hill in Washington, Monday, May 6, 2013.

(AP Photo/J. Scott Applewhite)

ing to those same customers the same product have those same obligations."

The bill would empower states to require businesses to collect taxes for products

they sell on the Internet, in catalogs and through radio and TV ads. Under the legislation, the sales taxes would be sent to the state where the shopper lives.

Supporters say the current tax disparity is turning some traditional stores into showrooms, where shoppers pick out items they like, then buy them on the Internet to avoid sales taxes. "It's about the way commerce has changed in America," said Sen. Dick Durbin. "Bookstores, stores that sell running shoes, bicycles and appliances are at a distinct disadvantage. They've become showrooms."

Internet giant eBay is leading the fight against the bill, along with lawmakers from states with no sales tax and several prominent anti-tax groups.

The bill's opponents say it would put an expensive obligation on small businesses because they are not as equipped as national merchandisers to collect and remit sales taxes at the multitude of state rates. □

Chicago case alleges ties to North Korea

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CHICAGO (AP) — A Taiwanese businessman long suspected of ties to North Korea and his son have been charged in Chicago with seeking to bypass a U.S. ban on the export of weapons machinery to the hard-line communist nation, federal prosecutors announced Monday.

Hsien Tai Tsai, 67, and his 36-year-old son, Yueh-Hsun Tsai, are charged with one count each of conspiracy to defraud the U.S. in its enforcement of laws prohibiting the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction, a statement from the U.S. Attorney's Office in Chicago said.

The statement suggests a wider investigation.

Federal agents have been investigating the two Tsais and a network of companies on suspicion of trying to export goods and machinery from the U.S. "that could be used to produce weapons of mass destruction," it said.

The father, who lives in Taiwan, was arrested on Wednesday in Tallinn, the capital of the Baltic Sea-

coast nation of Estonia. The statement from prosecutors doesn't speculate about why Hsien Tsai was in Estonia, though it says U.S. authorities are seeking his extradition.

The son, a legal U.S. resident, was arrested on the same day last week at his home in suburban Glenview, just outside Chicago, according to prosecutors.

The arrest comes as North Korea, under the leadership of Kim Jong Un, has faced international criticism over its nuclear and weapons-development programs.

The federal complaint released Monday doesn't offer details about which weapons systems the machinery could have benefited.

The elder Tsai, who also goes by Alex Tsai, fell under suspicion of U.S. authorities at least as far back as 2008, when he was convicted in Taiwan of forging shipping invoices and illegally shipping restricted materials to North Korea, the U.S. Department of Treasury said in press release at the time.

Treasury officials accused him of shipping items to

North Korea that could be used to support its advanced weapons program, and the department

in 2009 placed a wide-ranging prohibition on him doing any business in or with the United States. □

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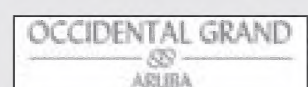
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GOP opponents plan immigration bill attack

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WASHINGTON — Republican opponents of legislation to overhaul the nation's immigration laws are readying an offensive intended to hijack the newly released bill as the Senate Judiciary Committee on Thursday begins a review that will offer the clearest sign yet of how difficult a path the legislation faces as it begins to wend its way through the Senate.

With the committee expected to spend at least three weeks on the legislation, Republican critics of the bill could offer hundreds of amendments to try to reshape the immigration overhaul — including proposals that could lengthen the timeline for a pathway to citizenship and those that could tamper with an already fragile deal negotiated between business and labor groups for a guest worker program. Anticipating an onslaught, Democrats are preparing a robust defense in an effort to keep the legislation largely intact.

For the bipartisan group of eight senators who drafted the legislation and now hope to shepherd it through committee and onto the floor, each amendment represents a potential hurdle to an overhaul of the nation's immigration laws.

"They'll be looking to throw obstacles in the way of the process and propose poison pills in order to frame the debate for the far right," said Frank Sharry, the executive director of America's Voice, a pro-immigration group, referring to some of the potential Republican amendments.

"What they're really doing is playing towards conservatives, trying to make Marco Rubio and other Republicans uncomfortable, and mobilizing grass-roots opposition."

Sen. Jeff Sessions, R-Ala., a member of the committee,

after the Heritage Foundation released a report that estimated the legislation, which would offer a path to citizenship for the 11 million immigrants already in the country illegally, could cost taxpayers at least \$6.3 trillion over time. Though

border security triggers, limit the discretionary power given to the administration, and address concerns to make sure that today's illegal immigrants are not eligible for federal benefits," Rubio said in an email statement. "It's clear that



Sen. Jeff Sessions (R-Ala.), left, after attending a meeting in Washington, April 25, 2013. Sessions, who is a member of the Senate Judiciary Committee, has long been a vocal opponent of the overhaul for the nation's immigration laws, and has signaled that he plans to try to slow down the legislation's progress, which the committee will begin to review on May 9, 2013.

(Christopher Gregory/The New York Times)

has long been a vocal opponent of the immigration overhaul, and last week he signaled that he planned to try to slow down the legislation's progress by offering amendments that would "confront the fundamentals of the bill."

"The longer this legislation is available for public review, the worse it's going to be perceived," Sessions said Monday in a phone interview. "The longer it lays out there, the worse it's going to smell. The tide is going to turn."

The committee also takes up the legislation just days

the foundation's analysis issued Monday has already come under scrutiny and criticism, a similar report in 2007 helped kill an immigration overhaul attempt then, and many Democrats on the committee expect the Heritage study to come up.

Rubio, R-Fla., a particularly high-profile member of the group, is not on the committee but plans to work with his colleagues to shape the bill from the outside.

"We're working with other senators on the Judiciary Committee to improve the

if the bill isn't improved, it won't ever become law."

Four of the bipartisan group's members also sit on the Judiciary Committee — Democrats Richard J. Durbin of Illinois, and Charles E. Schumer of New York, and Republicans Jeff Flake of Arizona and Lindsey Graham of South Carolina — and immigration advocates are looking to them to protect the bill. The group has generally agreed to band together to vote down all amendments that they believe would undermine the core of the original bill. □

YouTube said set to launch pay channels

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LOS ANGELES (AP) — YouTube is set to announce within a few weeks a series of channels that will require payment, a person familiar with the matter said Monday.

The content on the new pay channels will be in addition to the millions of videos viewers watch for free on YouTube. It's not clear whether the paid videos will come with advertising. The person was not authorized to speak publicly and spoke on condition of anonymity.

The Financial Times reported earlier that viewers would be charged as little as \$1.99 a month for subscriptions.

In a statement, YouTube said it is looking into creating a "subscription platform" that provides its partners with a way to generate revenue beyond video rentals and placing ads in and around content. It said, however, that it had "nothing to announce at this time."

Executives hinted at the coming pay channels at a preview event in March ahead of a meeting in New York with advertisers. Such a model could help video producers make money from niche audiences. That's different from how YouTube works now, where the most popular videos, like PSY's "Gangnam Style" music video, make the most money from advertising.

One example given by executives was of video lessons by a computer science teacher. □

US funeral director considers burial offers



A police officer escorts a woman in Muslim dress into an entrance to the Graham, Putnam, at Mahoney Funeral Parlor in Worcester, Mass., Monday, May 6, 2013 where the body of slain Boston Marathon bombing suspect Tamerlan Tsarnaev is being prepared for burial. Funeral director Peter Stefan has pleaded for government officials to use their influence to convince a cemetery to bury Tsarnaev, but so far no state or federal authorities have stepped forward.

(AP Photo/Elise Amendola)

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BOSTON (AP) — A funeral director said Monday he has received burial offers from out-of-state cemeteries for the body of a Boston Marathon bombing suspect who was killed in a gun battle with police, even as Tamerlan Tsarnaev's mother told him she wants the body returned to Russia.

But funeral home director Peter Stefan said despite the request, he doesn't think Russia will take Tsarnaev's body and he is working on other arrangements. He declined to be more specific.

Meanwhile, a friend of the surviving suspect in the bombings was released from federal custody Monday amid a swell of support from family and friends, but was under strict house arrest and only allowed to leave his home to meet with lawyers and for true emergencies.

The question of where Tamerlan Tsarnaev will be buried dragged on for another day, and the issue seemed far from resolved. Stefan said he plans to ask for a burial in the city of Cambridge, where Tsarnaev lived. Cambridge has asked him not to do so.

Cambridge City Manager Robert Healy urged

the Tsarnaev family not to make a request.

"The difficult and stressful efforts of the citizens of the City of Cambridge to return to a peaceful life would be adversely impacted by the turmoil, protests, and wide spread media presence at such an interment," Healy said in a statement Sunday. Stefan also said he had out-of-state burial offers but refused to give additional details, adding he was worried protests will rise up at any place that agrees to the burial, as they have at his own funeral home.

"Once the neighbors find out who's coming, they're going to come out," he said.

The founder of the organization that built Colorado's largest mosque, Sheikh Abu-Omar AlMubarak, says he is offering to bury Tsarnaev in a Denver-area Muslim cemetery. He says he'll bury Tsarnaev as long as his family can get the body to Denver.

If Russia refuses to accept the body, Cambridge may be forced to take it, said Wake Forest University professor Tanya Marsh, an expert in U.S. law on the disposal of human remains.

Massachusetts law requires every community to provide a suitable place to bury its residents, she said. Cambridge's appeal to

the family not to ask it to bury the body is likely a way to set up its defense if the family goes to court to try to force the burial, Marsh said.

Such a case would be unprecedented in Massachusetts, she said. She added that even in a country that's had its share of notorious accused killers, this kind of opposition to a burial is unheard of and is exposing holes in the law, Marsh said.

"It's a mess," she said. "We're really sort of in uncharted territory."

Gov. Deval Patrick said the question of what to do with the body is a "family issue" that should not be decided by the state or federal government. He said fam-

ily members had "options" and he hoped they would make a decision soon.

He declined to say whether he thought it would be appropriate for the body to be buried in Massachusetts. "We showed the world in the immediate aftermath of the attacks what a civilization looks like, and I'm proud of what we showed, and I think we continue to do that by stepping back and let the family make their decisions," the governor told reporters.

Tamerlan Tsarnaev's uncle, Ruslan Tsarni, of Montgomery Village, Maryland, and three of his friends met with Stefan on Sunday to wash and shroud Tsarnaev's body according to Muslim tradition. □

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Pakistan:

Bomb rips through Islamist party rally, 16 dead

**HUSSAIN AFZAL
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Associated Press
PARACHINAR, Pakistan**

(AP) — A bomb blast tore through a political rally held by an Islamist party in northwest Pakistan Monday, in an attack claimed by the Pakistani Taliban that killed 16 people and underscored an increase in violence ahead of the May 11 vote.

The explosion, at a rally held in the village of Sewak in the northwest Kurram tribal area, was the latest attack on candidates, political offices and election-related events as the vote approaches. Much of the violence is believed to have been carried out by the Taliban against three liberal and secular parties. But Monday's blast targeted a gathering of the Jamiat Ulema-e-Islam party which generally has a more favorable relationship with the militant group. The bomb, which was apparently planted near the main stage of the rally, killed 16 and left 44 wounded, said Umar Khan, a

doctor at the nearby Sada hospital where many of the wounded were initially taken.

Two party leaders who were speaking at the event escaped unharmed.



Family members stand near a boy injured in an explosion at a local hospital in Pakistani tribal area of Parachinar, Monday, May 6, 2013. A bomb blast tore through a political rally held by an Islamist party in northwest Pakistan Monday, killing many people and wounding dozens more as the country's already bloody election race gets even more dangerous ahead of the May 11 vote.
(AP Photo/Ali Murtaza)

About 2,500 people had gathered at a local religious school to hear the candidates speak, said one man who was in the crowd, Sabir Gul. The massive explosion came just as one of the candidates

ended his speech and was leaving the stage, he said. One of the candidates, Ainnuddin Shakir, told a local television station that the bomb appeared to have been detonated by re-

to hear candidates speak. Jamil said people attending the rally had been searched as they went into the gathering.

"There was a deafening sound which stunned me for a while but I quickly moved out of the dining hall," he said, describing a "hell-like" situation. "There were countless people bleeding and crying for help. My brother Khalil was among them."

The Jamiat Ulema-e-Islam party is considered supportive of the Afghan Taliban's fight against the United States and its allies in neighboring Afghanistan. It's also sympathetic to the Pakistani Taliban, which have been fighting Pakistani troops and would like to establish a hardline Islamic government in Pakistan. The group's leaders have generally opposed the Pakistani military's operations against militants in the tribal region and instead called for negotiating with the militants.

The Taliban have claimed responsibility in recent weeks for a string of attacks against secular Pakistani parties that have in

general supported military intervention against the militants in the tribal regions.

Claiming responsibility for Monday's bombing, Pakistani Taliban spokesman Ahsanullah Ahsan said the attack was aimed at a candidate who had appeared at the rally — Munir Khan Orakzai. Ahsan said Orakzai was targeted because he supported operations against militants in the tribal areas when he was previously an independent parliamentarian. The historic vote, scheduled for this Saturday, will be the first time a democratically elected civilian government completes its term and hands over power to another. But the ongoing attacks against candidates, their supporters and political offices has cast a shadow over the momentous occasion, and may deter many people from going to the polls.

There is also concern that the attacks could benefit the parties that take a softer line toward the militants, because they are able to campaign more freely ahead of the vote. □



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Libya:

Militias not backing down from protest

**ESAM MOHAMED
Associated Press**

TRIPOLI, Libya (AP) — A number of Libyan militias refused to back down on Monday from their protests outside government buildings, despite passage of a sweeping law that bans anyone who served as a senior official under Moammar Gadhafi from working in government.

The militiamen, some manning machine guns mounted on trucks, had been pushing for the law's passage. But some still remained outside the Justice and Foreign Ministry buildings, where several raised signs demanding the resignation of Prime Minister Ali Zidan.

Days ahead of the vote on the law, militias had also banned government employees at both buildings

from work.

The prime minister, who was a member of Libya's first freely elected parliament before being chosen by fellow liberal lawmakers to lead the government, has been in a confrontation with militias for months. The continued siege of government buildings highlights Zidan's inability to rein in the armed groups and exposes the many obstacles the North African nation faces in rebuilding its weak central government.

Zidan's options, though, are limited in dealing with the militias.

Most militias have roots in the rebel groups that fought Gadhafi in the country's eight month civil war, but their numbers have mushroomed in the two years since his fall.

Some militias have been accused of rights abuses, but the government continues to rely on them for security in the absence of a strong police or military.

For months after Gadhafi's ouster, militias protected Tripoli's international airport, provided border security and ensured the country did not spiral out of control.

Many of the wounded fighters complained they could not find proper health care despite millions of dollars allocated for them in the aftermath of the war. Cabinet officials were blamed for corruption and Libyans looked to parliamentary elections for change. However, the elections brought forth a new crop of politicians, many of them former technocrats under Gadhafi. □

Spain, Italy collaborate to demand crisis relief

ALAN CLENDENNING

COLLEEN BARRY

Associated Press

MADRID (AP) — The premiers of Spain and Italy teamed up Monday to push the eurozone to focus more on spurring economic growth instead of just reducing debt — a move they hope will reduce high youth unemployment and speed up a banking reform effort aimed at stabilizing Europe's financial system. After meeting with Spanish Prime Minister Mariano Rajoy, Italian Premier Enrico Letta warned that inaction could prompt rising anti-Europe sentiment among voters across the continent, resulting in political punishment for leaders who support the 17 nations that use the euro currency. Letta warned that the European Union risks driving its supporters away if it fails to offer a "positive" view of economic and political integration and is only the bearer of bad financial news that has now lasted years. Europe must focus on getting more young people into the workforce and alleviating the finan-

cial hardships ordinary people are facing, he said. In particular, Letta warned, if an upcoming June EU summit ends with another "bureaucratic, routine, formal" result, the 2014 elections for the European Parliament could see a rise in victory for anti-European parties. "We risk having a European Parliament that will be the most anti-European Parliament ever," he said. "We have to do something to avoid that." Rajoy defended tax hikes and numerous other measures he invoked last year to reduce Spain's deficit and comply with eurozone demands to shore up Spain's shaky finances and save its banking system from collapse. But he agreed with Letta that more must be done by the eurozone to cut youth unemployment and free up frozen credit in many countries for small and medium-sized businesses.

"National reforms should be accompanied by European Union reforms," he said. "We must all do our unavoidable homework in our countries, but the EU

must do more."

A campaign of sharp spending cuts and tax in-

ment is at record highs, particularly among the young, where the jobless

spending, to pull their nations out of downward economic spirals.



People queue up outside an unemployment registry office in Madrid, Spain Monday May 6, 2013. Spain has been in recession for the best part of the past four years as the economy battles to recover from the collapse of its once-booming real estate sector. The total number registered as jobless stands at 4.99 million. (AP Photo/Paul White)

creases has reduced deficits, but it has also pushed the eurozone into a deep recession. Financially weaker countries like Italy and Spain are not expected to recover before next year and the unemploy-

rate is 57 percent for Spaniards under age 25 and 38 percent in Italy. Critics of austerity measures say that governments should pursue efforts to stimulate the economy, even if it includes more

Since coming to office eight days ago, Letta has been on a whirlwind tour of Europe to meet with other top leaders and lay out his desire to ease the economic impact of austerity measures. □

Alleged Auschwitz death camp guard arrested

DAVID RISING

Associated Press

BERLIN (AP) — A 93-year-old man who was deported from the U.S. for lying about his Nazi past was arrested by German authorities Monday on allegations he served as an Auschwitz death camp guard, Stuttgart prosecutors said. Hans Lipschis was taken into custody after authorities concluded there was "compelling evidence" he was involved in crimes at Auschwitz while there from 1941 to 1945, prosecutor Claudia Krauth said. Lipschis has acknowledged being assigned to an SS guard unit at Auschwitz but maintains he only served as a cook and was not involved in any war crimes. Krauth said, however, that a judge upheld her office's request for an arrest warrant after concluding there

was enough evidence to hold him before charges on accessory to murder are brought. Bringing formal charges, a process similar to a U.S. grand jury indictment, would take another two months, she said. In the meantime, Krauth said a doctor has confirmed Lipschis' health remains good enough for him to be kept in detention. Lipschis does not currently have an attorney, and a public defender has not yet been appointed, she said. Lipschis was deported from the U.S. in 1983 for lying about his Nazi past when he immigrated to Chicago in the 1950s after the war.

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Syria: Rebels continue assault; regime helicopter downed

BARBARA SURK
Associated Press

BEIRUT (AP) — Syrian rebels shot down a military helicopter in the country's east, killing eight government troops on board as President Bashar Assad's troops battled opposition forces inside a sprawling military air base in the north for the second straight day, activists said Monday.

The downing of the helicopter was a welcome victory for rebels fighting to oust Assad as the two sides remain locked in stalemate in the more than 2-year-old conflict.

In Geneva, a U.N. commission probing alleged war crimes and other abuses in Syria on Monday distanced itself from claims by one of its members that Syrian rebels have used the nerve agent sarin, but not

the regime.

The panel said it has no conclusive evidence about the alleged use of

not the Syrian opposition was behind any chemical weapons use in Syria.

The dueling statements



This photo shows a general view of damaged buildings wrecked by an Israeli airstrike, in Damascus, Syria. (AP Photo/SANA)

sarin as chemical weapons.

In Washington, White House spokesman Jay Carney said it's highly likely that the Assad regime and

highlighted the difficulties of investigating allegations of chemical weapons use. President Barack Obama has said the use of chemical weapons by the re-

gime is a "red line" but he needs more time to determine if Assad's forces had used chemical weapons in the Syria's civil war.

The latest controversy was sparked by Carla Del Ponte, a former war crimes prosecutor. She told the Italian-language Swiss public broadcaster SRI in an interview late Sunday that her panel's investigators have "strong, concrete suspicions but not yet incontrovertible proof of the use of sarin gas from the way the victims were treated."

"We have evidence on the use of chemical weapons, in particular sarin. Not by the government, but the opposition," Del Ponte said, adding that this was based on interviews with victims, doctors and field hospitals in neighboring

countries.

On Monday, the commission said that it "wishes to clarify that it has not reached conclusive findings as to the use of chemical weapons in Syria by any parties to the conflict." As a result, "the commission is not in a position to further comment on the allegations at this time," a statement said. The four-member panel was appointed by the 47-nation Human Rights Council, the U.N.'s top human rights body, to gather evidence on suspected war crimes and other abuses. It began its investigation in August 2011. It has had almost no access to Syria, though earlier this year it said it had conducted at least 1,500 interviews and exhaustively corroborated its findings with other sources. □

UN panel backs away from Syria nerve gas claim

GENEVA (AP) — A U.N. panel looking into war crimes in Syria said Monday it has not found conclusive evidence of chemical weapons use, backing away from a member's claims that there are indications rebel forces used the nerve agent sarin.

The commission "wishes to clarify that it has not reached conclusive findings as to the use of chemical weapons in Syria by

any parties to the conflict," the panel said.

The statement comes after panel member and former war crimes prosecutor Carla Del Ponte told Swiss TV that the commission has indications Syrian rebel forces used nerve agent sarin as a weapon.

In the interview broadcast Sunday night, Del Ponte said the the panel's investigators have "strong, concrete suspicions but not

yet incontrovertible proof of the use of sarin gas from the way the victims were treated" — but no evidence government forces also used sarin as a chemical weapon.

She said the indications are based on interviews with victims, doctors and field hospitals in neighboring countries, though doubts were raised about her contention because the panel has mostly been interview-

ing refugees who oppose President Bashar Assad's regime.

The chairman, Brazilian diplomat and scholar Paulo Sergio Pinheiro, said in the statement that the panel "reminds all parties to the conflict that the use of chemical weapons is prohibited in all circumstances under customary international humanitarian law."

The United States says there is new evidence that Bashar's regime used chemical weapons. The U.S. has said intelligence indicates Syria has used the nerve agent sarin on at least two occasions, but Obama has stressed that he needs more definitive proof before making a decision about how to respond — and whether to take military action.

Damascus denies using chemical arms, and says


the opposition is trying to frame it.

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Lists of people suspected of human rights violations who could be prosecuted under international law are being kept secret by the U.N.'s top human rights official.

The panel's next report to the U.N. Human Rights Council is on June 3. □



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Mexico has violent weekend, despite supposed drop

MARTIN DURAN

Associated Press

CULIACAN, Mexico (AP)

— Mexico saw a wave of killings over the weekend, despite what the government says is a drop in the number of deaths related to drug violence.

In the northern state of

killings.

In a northern suburb of Mexico City, officials said Monday that seven bodies were found on a street near two cars in the city of Ecatepec. Most of the seven men were found bound, gagged and had been shot to death, state

often bound, mutilated or shot to death. Since the larger Beltran Leyva and La Familia cartels were broken up by government attacks on the leadership, smaller gangs have been fighting over turf. Attacks on La Familia in its home state of Michoacan have

uncovering human remains. The bodies were apparently buried about a month ago.

The office said three of the men and one woman found in the grave had their hands cut off. Drug cartels sometimes mutilate corpses' hands or heads to make identification difficult.

Mexico's Interior Department reported in April that drug-related deaths have fallen 14 percent from December into March, as compared to the same period a year earlier. But non-drug-related deaths actually rose by 6.8 per-

cent during the same period, raising the question of whether some deaths have been reclassified to improve the country's image and to help President Enrique Pena Nieto appear to meet one of his key campaign pledges: to reduce drug-related violence.

"Does this mean that the narcos are killing less, but that all other possible forms of violence are growing? Has there been some kind of explosion in domestic violence, bar fights, land disputes?" wrote security analyst Alejandro Hope in a column for the news site Animal Politico. □



People take part in a recreation of the Battle of Puebla during "Cinco de Mayo" celebrations in Mexico City, Sunday, May 5, 2013. On May 5, 1862, Mexican forces loyal to Benito Juarez defeated French troops sent by Napoleon III in the Battle of Puebla, in Puebla, central Mexico.

(AP Photo/Marco Ugarte)

Sinaloa, 17 bodies were found over the weekend, including six dumped in a pile along a highway. The Sinaloa state prosecutors' office said two of the men were decapitated.

The discovery on Sunday came just over two weeks after another pile of six bodies was found in another Sinaloa town.

State Attorney General Marco Antonio Higuera called the two sets of killings "very different," but said officials would hold an urgent meeting to discuss the apparent upswing in

prosecutors' spokesman Claudio Barrera said.

In the same suburb in October, police found the bullet-ridden bodies of eight people dumped on streets, including five men and one woman between the ages of 20 and 25 who weren't wearing clothes.

Mexico City has largely been spared the drug violence afflicting some parts of the country, but in recent years there have been a spate of gang-style killings in the suburbs of the capital, including multiple bodies dumped in one spot,

pushed the gang eastward into the state of Mexico and the capital's biggest suburbs.

On Saturday, officials in Michoacan said they discovered the bodies of three men and three women buried in a clandestine grave in a rural area. All of the victims were gagged, had their feet tied at the ankles and apparently were tortured.

The Michoacan state prosecutors' office said the shallow grave was found after neighbors noticed dogs digging at the spot,

Colombia cops:

Fake nuns hid cocaine under habits

BOGOTA, Colombia (AP)

— The nuns' habits didn't seem right for three young women so Colombian police asked them to step aside when they arrived on the Caribbean island of San Andres on a flight from Bogota.

Police Capt. Oscar Da-

vila says the three women seemed nervous, and the fabric didn't look right.

The chief of the island's judicial police says more than four pounds of cocaine (two kilos) was strapped to the legs of each woman. Davila says all three broke into tears and launched

into tales of financial hardship. None of the three is a nun, and all were arrested early Saturday and jailed on drug trafficking charges. San Andres is just off Nicaragua's coast along a longtime smuggling route for cocaine from mainland Colombia. □

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Curacao:

Ally of slain politician Wiels suspects political motive

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Associated Press

WILLEMSTAD, Curacao (AP)

— A close ally of a charismatic but divisive politician killed by two assailants in Curacao said Monday he believes the lawmaker was slain in some sort of politically motivated attack on the Dutch Caribbean island off the coast of Venezuela.

Donald Valentina, president of the Curacao political party founded by slain politician Helmin Wiels, told The Associated Press that he thinks the fiery, populist lawmaker was targeted by gunmen due to politics. He noted that Wiels, a highly influential member of the



In this photo, Curacao politician Helmin Wiels participates in a political rally in Curacao. A close ally of Wiels, killed by two assailants in Curacao this weekend, said Monday he believes the lawmaker was slain in some sort of politically motivated attack on the Dutch Caribbean island off the coast of Venezuela. (Handout Photo)

coalition government, had made several anti-corruption speeches in recent days and on Friday publicly accused a local telecommunications company of being involved in the illegal sale of lottery numbers.

"I think it was a political motive," Valentina said a day after Wiels was hit by five bullets at Curacao's Marie Pompoen beach as he sipped a beer and socialized. "Maybe they did this to shut his mouth."

The always outspoken Wiels loomed large over the small island's political landscape. The leftist, pro-independence Pueblo Soberano party he helped found emerged as the top vote getter in October elections, holding five of 21 seats in Parliament in a coalition government.

There was some speculation that Wiels, a 54-year-old former social worker, could be chosen as the top official in a new Council of Ministers being worked out, although Valentina and other allies said he was not interested in gaining the top position.

Ronald Plasterk, the Dutch interior minister and official who deals with Curacao on a diplomatic level, described Wiels as a "true leader" who was "in actuality the most powerful man" on the island.

"For the record, we don't know yet whether it's a political murder," Plasterk said in an interview with Dutch national broadcaster NOS. "He was murdered, but it could also be because of the way he took on corruption, or the drugs world or something else rotten."

Justice Minister Nelson Navarro has said Wiels had received threats and typically had security throughout the week. He apparently declined security on Sunday.

Wiels often seized the political stage with passionate criticism of the Netherlands. He called for complete independence, saying stronger links needed to be forged with South American neighbors. Last

year, he said it would likely take a decade before Curacao, an almost entirely autonomous country that is still considered a "constituent country" of the Kingdom of the Netherlands, would be ready to become totally independent. He also wanted to expel the U.S. military planes stationed for more than a decade at the Willemstad airport for multinational counter-drug missions in the Caribbean.

For years, Wiels regularly railed against corruption and low government performance in education and other sectors. His impeccably dressed image was often seen on television and in newspapers.

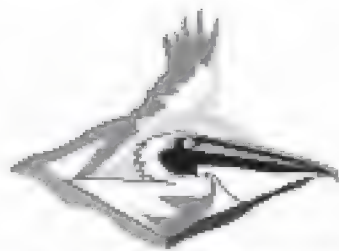
The U.S. Consulate General in Curacao condemned the slaying of Wiels, calling him a "passionate advocate for the disadvantaged and unemployed" who "bravely fought against corruption and to expand education opportunities for Curacao's youth."

The killing unleashed a tide of emotion on Curacao, where numerous cars could be seen flying the island's flag along with the flag of Wiels' political party. Mournful supporters gathered at the party's headquarters, lit by a couple of candles.

A small bundle of flowers formed a makeshift memorial at the spot where Wiels was declared dead. His body was driven away in a hearse Sunday night and people lining the road leaned in to tap the roof and windows.

Police released few details, but said they were looking for two assailants who sped off in a gold-colored car after shooting Wiels. Witnesses said one of the gunmen appeared to be wearing a mask.

Dutch Prime Minister Mark Rutte condemned the slaying, and offered sympathy and help from his government. "A lot is still not clear, but nothing can justify a cowardly deed like this," he said in a statement. □



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Mikhaila Vrolijk wins reading competition and trip to Orlando



The three students during the final quiz round. Winner Mikhaila (left), Megan (middle) and Graciella (right).



The three participating students: Graciella Herrera of Pius X School, Meghan Arendsz of Colegio Sagrado Curason and Mikhaila Vrolijk of Cacique Macuarima School, listening to Olga Buckley, president of Foundation Bon Nochi Drumi Dushi.



Proud winner Mikhaila Vrolijk posing with Minister Michelle Hooyboer-Winklaar and Ligenne Trimon of Marriott Vacation Club Aruba. Far left is Mr Finney, main character in the book by Princess Laurentien of the Netherlands.



Minister Michelle Hooyboer-Winklaar posing with the three finalists of the reading competition.

ORANJESTAD, May 6, 2013 – On Friday May 3rd Mikhaila Vrolijk won the grand finale of the reading competition Ban Orlando Lesando (Let's go to Orlando reading) organized by Foundation Bon Nochi Drumi Dushi and Marriott Vacation Club Aruba. Ban Orlando Lesando started last February and consisted of three quiz rounds over the course of three months in which fifteen local primary schools participated. Only three students made it to the final round of this competition: Graciella Herrera of Pius X School, Meghan Arendsz of Colegio Sagrado Curason and Mikhaila Vrolijk of Cacique Macuarima School.

The third and final quiz round consisted of various

elements. To start all three finalists had to read the book Mr Finney and the other side of the water by author Princess Laurentien of the Netherlands. A tongue twister assignment was used as a warm-up. During the official part of the grand finale students were asked questions about the author and the contents of the book. A written test completed the final round. As during the two previous quiz rounds Desiree Correa, Gina Ramsbottom and Selvia Lumeniers served as jury members. They named Mikhaila Vrolijk winner of the competition as she accumulated most points during the finale.

Michelle Hooyboer-Winklaar, Minister of Economic Affairs, Social Affairs and Culture, attended the grand

finale as she is also a loyal volunteer of Foundation Bon Nochi Drumi Dushi. Together with Ligenne Trimon of Marriott Vacation Club Aruba the Minister handed the grand prize to Mikhaila: a 7 nights stay at a Marriott Vacation Club resort in Orlando as well as roundtrip airfare for two to Orlando, Florida. Second prize winner was Graciella Herrera. Representatives of the Marriott Vacation Club International Community Welfare Foundation handed Graciella a four days/three nights stay at Marriott's Aruba Ocean Club or Marriott's Aruba Surf Club. The third prize went to Meghan Arendsz. She was rewarded with a \$100 dinner certificate.

Olga Buckley, president of the Bon Nochi Drumi Du-

shi Foundation was very pleased with the entire competition, and named each and every participant in this reading competition a winner. "Our foundation's main goal is to focus more on reading and to stimulate children and their families to do so. With fun events like Ban Orlando Lesando we received the support and willingness from primary schools, parents, local businesses and we reached our target audience – Aruba's future leaders. Due to the excellent cooperation with Marriott Vacation Club Aruba we were able to offer grand prizes as an incentive for the participating students which worked out very well. I couldn't be happier with the outcome and hope we'll have the

opportunity to organize many more of these events in the years ahead," stated Buckley.

Bon Nochi Drumi Dushi was founded in 2007 to promote, support and stimulate reading books amongst children, both at school and at home. The Foundation's focus group are young school students aged four to eight. Activities of the Foundation include book reading sessions and house visits, reading quizzes for primary schools, promotions in conjunction with the National Library, and the Bibliobus.

Marriott Vacation Club Aruba started supporting the Bon Nochi Drumi Dushi Foundation in 2012 strongly believing in the Foundation's goals and objectives and is a co-partner in the reading competition. The Marriott Vacation Club International Community Welfare Foundation was founded in 2004 by the associates of Marriott's Aruba Ocean Club and Marriott's Aruba Surf Club and has been actively contributing to the Aruba community for the past nine years. It embodies a living and breathing sentiment and "Spirit to Serve" within the associates who fund the Foundation through direct financial contributions.

The Ban Orlando Lesando reading competition also received support from the following local business who all sponsored 1,000 florins to the benefit of nine participation primary schools in Aruba: Aruba Investment Bank, Medwork, Setar, Manrique Capriles Aruba, Free Zone Aruba, Kiwanis Club Palm Beach of Aruba, PriceWaterhouseCoopers, Caribbean Mercantile Bank, Aruba Airport Authority and Fatum Aruba. □



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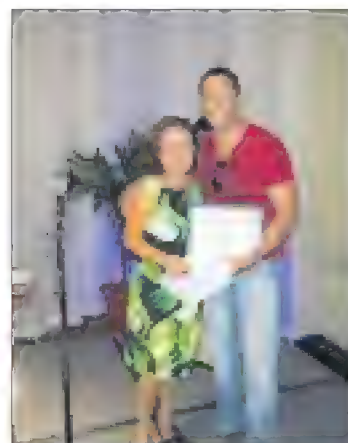
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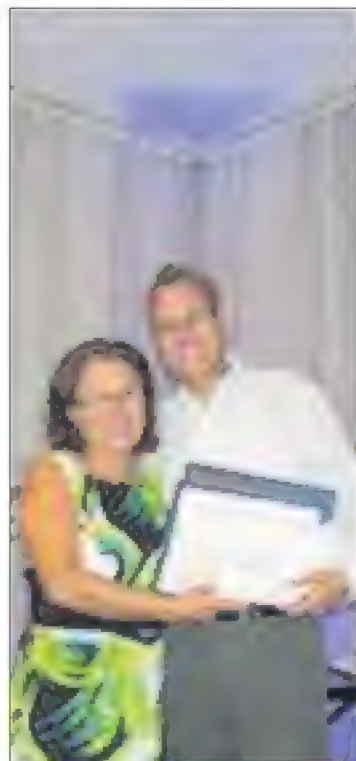
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Baby Amanda- Elena is the star of her own baptism party

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ents Celine and Mantival Santos joined grandparents, uncles and aunts for sumptuous dinner, only big-sister Elian studying in Holland was missed, the rest of the family adored the little one and enjoyed the happy occasion. The staff

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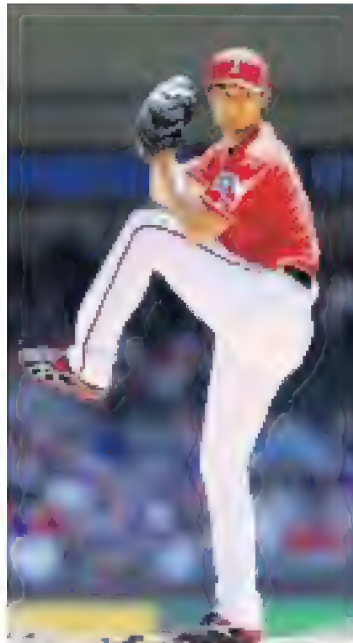
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Texas Rangers starting pitcher Yu Darvish, of Japan, throws during the first inning of a baseball game against the Boston Red Sox, Sunday, May 5, 2013, in Arlington, Texas.

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Darvish, Beltre, Rangers finish sweep of Bosox

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP)

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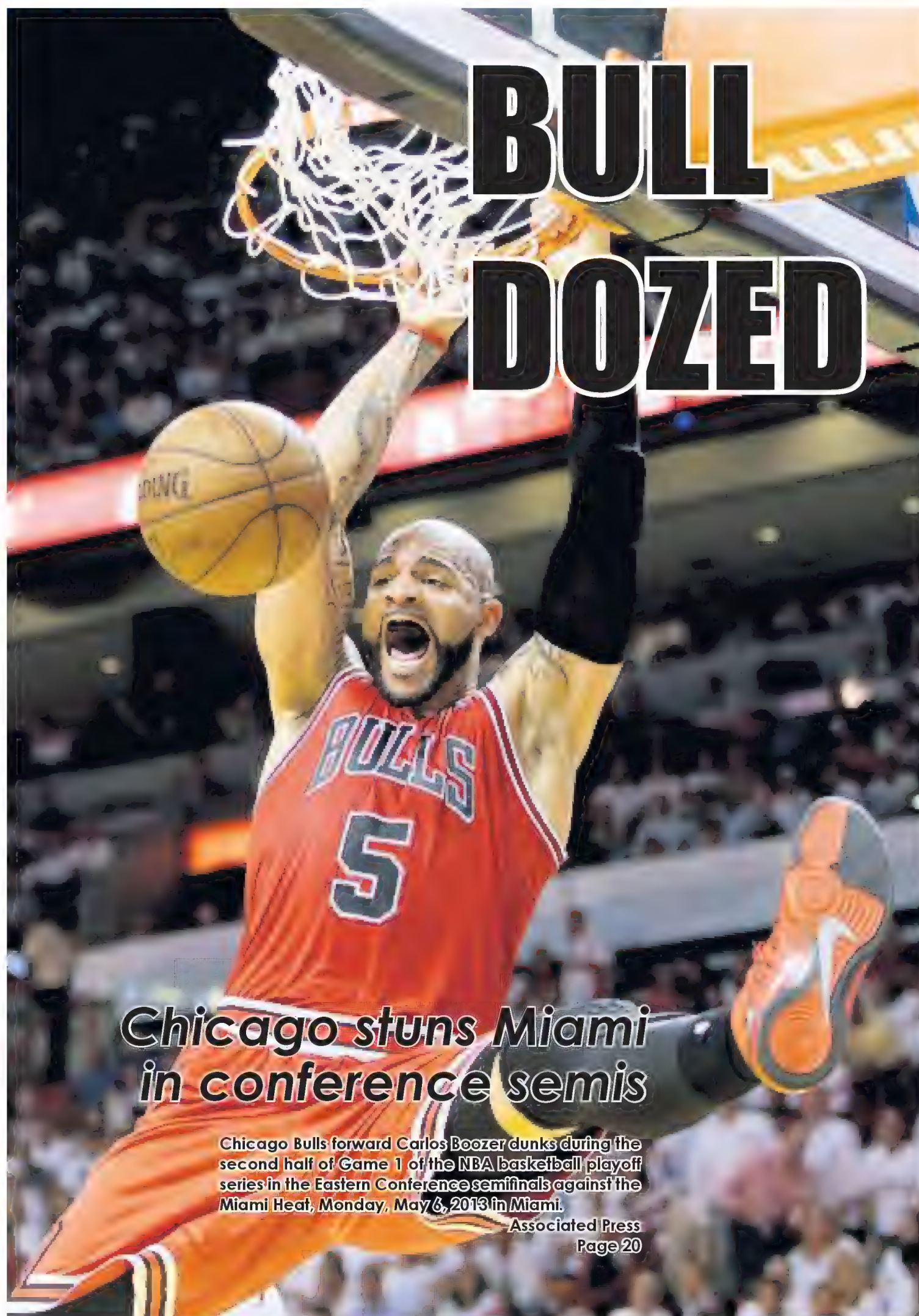
— Yu Darvish struck out 14 batters and Adrian Beltre hit an RBI single with two outs in the ninth inning as the Texas Rangers beat Boston 4-3 Sunday, completing a three-game sweep and matching the Red Sox for the best record in the majors.

The Rangers, Red Sox and St. Louis all have 20-11 marks.

Beltre lined a hit to right-center off Clayton Mortensen (0-2) that sent home Elvis Andrus, who reached on a two-out single and moved up on a wild pitch. Boston then intentionally walked Lance Berkman.

Darvish matched a career high for strikeouts and left after throwing a career-high 127 pitches in seven innings. Joe Nathan (1-0) worked around a walk and a hit in the ninth.

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Chicago stuns Miami in conference semis

Chicago Bulls forward Carlos Boozer dunks during the second half of Game 1 of the NBA basketball playoff series in the Eastern Conference semifinals against the Miami Heat, Monday, May 6, 2013 in Miami.

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Derby winner Orb prepares for Preakness run

BETH HARRIS

AP Racing Writer

LOUISVILLE, Kentucky (AP)

— Now that Shug McGaughey has won the Kentucky Derby, it's time for the 62-year-old trainer to go after another race missing from his Hall of Fame resume.

Orb will follow up his win at Churchill Downs by running in the Preakness on May 18, giving the colt a shot at the Triple Crown.

Orb arrived back at his home base in New York on Sunday, as did McGaughey and jockey Joel Rosario. The trainer was still absorbing what happened a day earlier. The colt extended his winning streak to five races, splashing through the slop to win the Derby by 2¼ lengths, giving McGaughey and Rosario their first Derby wins. Orb rallied from 17th and made a sweeping move on the turn for home to win.

"It did not matter if it was wet or dry, the best horse won," rival trainer D. Wayne Lukas said.

McGaughey has never won the Preakness in two previous attempts. He hasn't had a horse in the race since 1989, when Easy Goer finished second to Sunday Silence, duplicating their Derby finish that year. For a trainer who has always shown patience with his horses, McGaughey is eagerly anticipating the grueling Triple Crown campaign that compresses three races into a five-week span.

"I can't wait to get to the



Joel Rosario rides Orb during the 139th Kentucky Derby at Churchill Downs Saturday, May 4, 2013, in Louisville, Ky.

Preakness and do it again," he said.

It's fitting that Orb is set to run in Baltimore, the hometown of Stuart Janney III. He and co-owner Ogden Mills "Dinny" Phipps, who also bred Orb, have never won the Preakness.

"The Preakness is important to me. I grew up around it, went there all the time," Janney said.

McGaughey has worked exclusively for Janney and Phipps for years, training the horses they breed. In a sport known for rampant jealousy, there was an outpouring of goodwill for all three men after the Derby. Trainers Todd Pletcher and Chad Brown stopped by to wish McGaughey well, while Lukas and Bob Baffert, who didn't have a

horse in the race, spoke warmly of him, too.

"It was a wonderful victory for Stuart Janney and Dinny Phipps. There was a lot of karma there that rewards people that have been great to the sport," Lukas said. "I saw Dinny before the race and told him that I thought it was going to be his turn and I was a little worried."

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After watching replays of the Derby, McGaughey was more impressed with Orb.

"The maturity he showed yesterday in everything he did, from his Derby day to his experience in the paddock, which was tremendous, going in the post and the way he raced, it was kind of amazing to me," he said.

Orb will see some familiar challengers in the 1 3/16-mile Preakness. Mylute and Oxbow, who finished fifth and sixth in the Derby, along with Will Take Charge (eighth), Itsmyluckyday (15th) and Goldencents (17th) are likely to face off against him again.

"As good as he is, if Goldencents rebounds and gets back to his Santa Anita Derby effort, I think we have a chance to be right there," trainer Doug O'Neill said about his horse.

Among the new horses possibly joining the Preakness field are Illinois Derby winner Departing, Sunland Derby winner Governor Charlie, Southwest runner-up Fear the Kitten and Bel-larmine. Lukas, a five-time Preakness winner, thinks the next race will be the toughest for Orb.

"If he gets by that, he gets to go back home to Belmont and run right out of his stall," he said.

Golden Soul, who finished second in the Derby as a 34-1 shot, will likely pass on the Preakness and point toward the Belmont Stakes on June 8, trainer Dallas Stewart said. □

Thierry Henry highest-paid in MLS for 2nd straight year

NEW YORK (AP) — Red Bulls forward Thierry Henry is Major League Soccer's highest-paid player for the second straight season, edging Los Angeles Galaxy striker Robbie Keane.

Henry remained No. 1 despite a drop in his base salary from \$5 million to \$3.75 million, according to figures

released Monday by the MLS Players Union.

Henry's total pay fell from \$5.6 million to \$4.35 million, Keane has the highest base salary at \$4 million, an increase from \$2,917,241 last season, and his total rose to \$4,333,333 from \$3,417,243 after helping the Galaxy win their second straight

MLS title.

Red Bulls midfielder Tim Cahill was third (\$3.5 million base, \$3,625,000 total), followed by Galaxy midfielder Landon Donovan (\$2.5 million base and total) and Montreal forward Marco Di Vaio (\$1,000,008, \$1,937,508) □



New York Red Bulls' Thierry Henry shoots at goal as Toronto FC's Gale Agbossoumonde, left, looks on during first half MLS action in Toronto on Saturday April 27, 2013.

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Sharapova and Azarenka advance at Madrid Open

HAROLD HECKLE
Associated Press

MADRID (AP) — Maria Sharapova rallied from a break down in the first set to beat Alexandra Dulgheru of Romania 7-5, 6-2 Monday and reach the second round of the Madrid Open.

The second-seeded Russian said she was still adjusting to changing weather conditions in Madrid and "the altitude as well" after winning the title in Stuttgart last weekend. Madrid is 660 meters (2,180 feet) above sea level.

"It was a tough match," Sharapova said. "I was really happy that I got that break back in the first set and was able to win in two sets." Victoria Azarenka of Belarus also advanced, outlasting Anastasia Pavlyuchenkova of Russia 7-6 (8), 7-6 (3).

Azarenka, who finished runner-up in Madrid the last two years, is returning from an ankle injury and

said it was good to get a tough test right away.

"I don't think I could have asked for a better match to start after a break," she said.

The third-ranked Azarenka broke to go up 4-3 in the first set before Pavlyuchenkova broke back. Azarenka then saved three set points at 6-3 down in the tiebreaker.

"When you don't play so much, you kind of lose that momentum," she said. "In the tiebreak I just tried to find my game to find the solution to make things happen for me."

Laura Robson of Britain pulled off the first upset of the tournament, convincingly beating fourth-seeded Agnieszka Radwanska of Poland 6-3, 6-1 in a second-round match.

The 19-year-old Robson arrived in Spain coming off her sixth first-round loss of the year at the Portugal Open but was able to capitalize on her break points



Maria Sharapova from Russia returns the ball against Alexandra Dulgheru from Romania during the Madrid Open tennis tournament, in Madrid, Monday, May 6, 2013.

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against last year's Wimbledon finalist.

In the men's event, 11th-seeded Nicolas Almagro of Spain advanced when Tobias Kamke of Germany

retired injured after losing the first set 6-4. Milos Ronic of Canada, American John Isner and Japan's Kei Nishikori were among other first-round winners.

The top-seeded players in the men's draw, including Novak Djokovic, Rafael Nadal and Roger Federer, have a bye into the second round. □

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Bulls steal Game 1, top Heat 93-86

By **TIM REYNOLDS**
AP Basketball Writer

MIAMI (AP) — Nate Robinson scored 27 points, Jimmy Butler added 21 points and 14 rebounds while playing every second for the third straight game, and the Chicago Bulls stunned the Miami Heat 93-86 on Monday night to take Game 1 of their Eastern Conference semifinal series. Trailing 86-83 with 2 minutes left, the Bulls scored the final 10 points of the game to beat the Heat once again.

Joakim Noah added 13 points, Taj Gibson had 12 and Marco Belinelli added 10 for Chicago, which snapped a 27-game Miami winning streak during the regular season, and handed the Heat their first loss in their last 13 games in this one.

LeBron James scored 24 points for Miami, which got 14 from Dwyane Wade.

Game 2 is Wednesday night in Miami.

The Bulls were without Derrick Rose, as they've been all season. Kirk Hinrich was out again with a calf injury. Luol Deng isn't even expected to rejoin the team until Tuesday, after dealing with an illness apparently so severe that a spinal tap - and other tests since - were needed to rule out things like meningitis.

And the group that was left gave the reigning NBA champions more than they could handle.

A pair of three-point plays by James - one of them coming when he just broke through a tackle attempt by Butler and muscled the

lyn two nights earlier just to get into a series with Miami, the Bulls just kept grinding. When Ray Allen made a 3-pointer to give Miami an

- to knot the game. Then when Robinson connected on a 20-footer with 1:18 left, the Bulls had the lead and plenty of swagger. With good reason, too.

Wade missed a 3-pointer on the next possession, Robinson drove the lane and scored with 45.5 seconds left, and suddenly the Bulls were up 90-86 - rendered virtually the entire building silent. James drove against Butler and tried a 12-footer that missed everything, the Bulls got the rebound, Robinson made a free throw to stretch the lead to five and the stunner was complete.

Game 1 to the Bulls. And with it, home-court advantage as well. It was a night that started with a celebration and ended with Miami's arena in silence. James was honored before the game, with a brief on-court ceremony to commemorate his fourth NBA MVP award.

"Everybody here knows about the statistics," NBA Commissioner David Stern said. "All I would like to add in presenting this trophy is that LeBron James exemplifies the values of our game. Teamwork, passion, a continued extraordinary

desire to improve, and a state of excellence that is unmatched. So thank you LeBron James, for what you bring to our league."

James picked up the trophy - he was actually presented with it Sunday - and made a slow circle with it aloft, as cheers rained down from the sold-out stands.

"It's an unbelievable achievement, but I wouldn't be able to do it without these 14 guys here, our coaching staff and most of all you guys," James said, speaking to the crowd. "This trophy is for you. So thank you so much, and let's get ready to go." And with that, the game started. Problem was, no one was ready to go.

The Heat missed their first seven shots - maybe rust from an eight-day layoff really was a factor - and Chicago led 21-15 after an opening quarter where Nazr Mohammed, he of the 2.6-point-per-game scoring average in this regular season, had as many points (two) as any Miami starter did. A 10-0 Heat run in the second gave Miami a 25-23 lead, and the teams were tied at 37 at halftime. The story at that point was James, who wore twice as many pairs of sneakers in the first half (two) as he had field goals (one). He had two points at the break, the lowest of his 120-game postseason career, on just 1 for 6 shooting. James started the game in sneakers that were MVP editions, then returned to his more customary style late in the first half. He opened the second half with a 3-pointer, so the shoes were a quick fix. But the Bulls were in for the long haul, and after James made the consecutive three-point plays to open a seven-point lead, Chicago answered with seven straight points, knotting the game at 76-all when Belinelli made a 3-pointer with just under 5 minutes left. Momentum belonged to Chicago, and soon, so did the game. □



Chicago Bulls guard Nate Robinson (2) drives to the basket past Miami Heat guard Norris Cole during the second half of Game 1 of the NBA basketball playoff series in the Eastern Conference semifinals, Monday, May 6, 2013 in Miami. Robinson scored 27 points as the Bulls defeated the Heat 93-86.

The Associated Press

ball to the rim anyway - gave Miami a 76-69 lead midway through the fourth quarter, the biggest deficit Chicago faced all night. The Bulls, predictably, were undeterred. Coming off a Game 7 road win in Brook-

lyn 80-78 lead, Butler came back with one of his own to put the Bulls back on top. When the Heat went up by three after James made a free throw with 2:22 left, Belinelli connected for 3 - on a second-effort possession

David Ragan steals last-lap victory at Talladega

JENNA FRYER
AP Auto Racing Writer
TALLADEGA, Alabama

(AP) — David Ragan used a sweeping last-lap pass in overtime to complete a major upset victory Sunday at Talladega Superspeedway. He got a push from teammate David Gilliland to slide past Carl Edwards

to the front and he and Gilliland held on for a 1-2 finish for Front Row Motorsports. It came at the end of a race that took seven hours to complete after rain stopped it for 3 hours, 36 minutes midway through the event. With darkness quickly closing in, contact between Ricky Stenhouse

Jr. and J.J. Yeley triggered a frightening crash that sent Kurt Busch's car airborne and on top of Ryan Newman's car. □

David Ragan celebrates after winning the NASCAR Sprint Cup Series Aaron's 499 auto race at Talladega Superspeedway in Talladega, Ala., Sunday, May 5, 2013.
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Kunitz's 2nd PP goal gives Pens OT win

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UNIONDALE, New York (AP)

— Chris Kunitz scored his second power-play goal of the game 8:34 into overtime, off a pass from Sidney Crosby, as the Pittsburgh Penguins shook off an early deficit and a late blown lead to beat the New York Islanders 5-4 on Sunday in Game 3 of the first-round series.

The Eastern Conference's top-seeded team rode severe ups and downs in taking a 2-1 lead in the best-of-seven matchup.

Pittsburgh trailed 2-0 just 5:41 in but rallied to lead 3-2 before the first period was over. The comeback started with power-play goals just 19 seconds apart by Jarome Iginla and Kunitz.

The Penguins seemed in control in the third period, but New York erased a 4-2 deficit on goals by Kyle Okposo and John Tavares.

Pittsburgh will try to take a commanding 3-1 series lead Tuesday night on Long Island.

Crosby, who had three assists in his second game back after missing a month because of a broken jaw, drew the decisive penalty against Brian Strait, who held the Penguins captain as he drove the net 33 seconds before the winning goal. Penguins coach Dan Bylsma used his timeout to rest his power-play unit, and it paid off. Crosby fed Kunitz in the slot for a hard shot that beat goalie Evgeni Nabokov to win it.

WILD 3, BLACKHAWKS 2, OT ST. PAUL, Minnesota (AP) — Jason Zucker scored at 2:15 of overtime to give Minnesota a victory over Chicago, pulling the Wild



Pittsburgh Penguins' Chris Kunitz (14) celebrates his goal with teammates Kris Letang (58) and Evgeni Malkin (71) while New York Islanders' Andrew MacDonald, right, reacts during overtime of Game 3 of an NHL hockey Stanley Cup first-round playoff series, Sunday, May 5, 2013, in Uniondale, N.Y. The Penguins won 5-4.

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within 2-1 in the Western Conference quarterfinal series.

Zach Parise scored for the Wild early in the third period, but Duncan Keith got one back for the Blackhawks with 2:46 left in regulation to force the second overtime in three games of this best-of-seven series. Game 4 is here on Tuesday night.

Keith's snap shot glanced off Wild defenseman Mar-

co Scandella and past goalie Josh Harding to make the score 2-2.

But after Matt Cullen ferociously chased the puck along the end boards in the opening action of overtime, Zucker swooped in to surprise Johnny Oduya as the Blackhawks defenseman was about to fight for possession with Cullen.

Zucker's bad-angle shot slipped past goalie Corey Crawford.

SENATORS 6, CANADIENS 1 OTTAWA (AP) — Jean-Gabriel Pageau got his first NHL hat trick to lead Ottawa in a fight-filled victory over Montreal.

The teams combined for 236 penalty minutes and nine players were given a game misconduct.

The Senators have a 2-1 lead in the best-of-seven series and Game 4 is Tuesday night in Ottawa.

The third period started out

with the Senators leading 2-1, but after Pageau's second goal of the night and a Kyle Turris goal at 7:00, emotions overflowed and a line brawl broke out at center ice.

Pageau, who was born in Ottawa, scored his second of the game at 1:18 of the third period to give the Senators a 3-1 lead.

Turris' goal, his first of the series, at 7:00 put the game out of reach. On the ensuing faceoff, four different fights broke out.

The Senators ended up with the man advantage and Jakob Silfverberg scored on the power play as he beat Habs goalie Carey Price up high to make it 5-1 only 8 seconds after Turris' goal.

SHARKS 5, CANUCKS 2

SAN JOSE, California (AP) — Joe Pavelski and Logan Couture each scored twice to spoil Cory Schneider's return to the nets for Vancouver as San Jose beat the Canucks for its third straight win to open the playoffs.

Pavelski scored the first two goals and Couture and Patrick Marleau added scores 9 seconds apart to break the game open early in the third period and give the Sharks a 3-0 series lead. Couture added a second power-play goal early in the third to end Schneider's night and give him a playoff-best four points for the game. Antti Niemi made 28 saves.

San Jose will attempt to complete the first series sweep in franchise history at home on Tuesday night. Alex Burrows and Dan Hamhuis scored for the Canucks. □

Halladay hurt; Hechavarria has 7 RBIs for Marlins

The Associated Press

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Adeiny Hechavarria hit a grand slam and a bases-loaded triple off an ailing Roy Halladay, driving in seven runs for the Miami Marlins in a 14-2 victory over the Philadelphia Phillies on Sunday.

After the game, Halladay said he had a sore right shoulder. He said he will undergo tests this week in Los Angeles and be examined by Dr. Lewis Yocum. Phillies general manager Ruben Amaro Jr. said Halladay (2-4) will likely be put on the disabled list.

The two-time Cy Young winner and eight-time All-Star had his worst start since his rookie season. He gave up nine runs on four hits, four walks and two hit batters in 2 1-3 innings. Halladay, who turns 36 this month, has an 8.65 ERA.

Kevin Slowey (1-2) gave up two hits in seven shutout innings for his first win since September 2010. He had been winless in 22 major league appearances, including 15 starts.

Justin Ruggiano homered twice for the Marlins.

BRAVES 9, METS 4

ATLANTA (AP) — Freddie



Miami Marlins' Adeiny Hechavarria (3) hits a ball to right field for a home run in the third inning of an MLB National League baseball game against the Philadelphia Phillies on Sunday, May 5, 2013, in Philadelphia.

Freeman homered and drove in three runs, and Tim Hudson pitched into the eighth inning as the Atlanta Braves beat the Mets.

Freeman got three hits, including a two-run double off Jonathon Niese (2-3) in

a five-run third.

David Wright hit a two-run homer off Hudson (4-1), who gave up three runs on five hits and a walk in 7 1-3 innings.

CARDINALS 10, BREWERS 1 MILWAUKEE (AP) — Jaime

Garcia pitched eight innings and Allen Craig drove in four runs to lead the St. Louis Cardinals to the franchise's first four-game sweep of Milwaukee.

Matt Holliday also homered for the Cardinals, who

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have won six straight.

Garcia (4-1) gave up one run on eight hits in his third straight win.

Marco Estrada (2-2) lasted 3 1-3 innings for the Brewers, who have lost five in a row.

REDS 7, CUBS 4

CHICAGO (AP) — Joey Votto had three hits, Todd Frazier hit a two-run single and the Cincinnati Reds completed a three-game sweep of the Chicago Cubs.

Mat Latos (3-0) extended his scoreless streak to 21 innings, tying a career high, but didn't pitch past the fifth inning for the first time in seven starts this season. He struck out six and walked three.

J.J. Hoover earned his second save.

Edwin Jackson (0-5) struggled again for the Cubs, allowing four runs and eight hits in five innings.

NATIONALS 6, PIRATES 2

PITTSBURGH (AP) — Tyler Moore hit a three-run homer and Danny Espinosa homered and drove in three runs, leading Gio Gonzalez and the Washington Nationals over Pittsburgh.

Nationals star Bryce Harper was ejected in the first inning. He tried to hold up on a 2-2 pitch from Wandy Rodriguez (2-2) and home plate umpire Bob Davidson pointed to third base ump John Hirschbeck for help. Hirschbeck ruled that Harper had swung.

Harper stood outside the batter's box, stared at Hirschbeck for a few moments and dropped his bat. Hirschbeck then tossed last season's NL Rookie of the Year.

Gonzalez (3-2) got the win. Starling Marte hit a leadoff homer in the first, his fourth home run in five games for Pittsburgh.

In other NL games it was Atlanta 9, N.Y. Mets 4; Washington 6, Pittsburgh 2; St. Louis 10, Milwaukee 1; Cincinnati 7, Chicago Cubs 4; Miami 14, Philadelphia 2; San Diego 5, Arizona 1; Tampa Bay 8, Colorado 3; and San Francisco 4, L.A. Dodgers 3.

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While Darvish had 14 strikeouts for the second time this season, the right-hander from Japan allowed multiple homers in a game for only the second time in 36 starts for the Rangers. David Ortiz and David Ross connected in the first two innings.

Darvish leads the majors with 72 strikeouts.

Mitch Moreland and Nelson Cruz homered off Red Sox starter Jon Lester.

TIGERS 9, ASTROS 0

HOUSTON (AP) — Justin Verlander held Houston hitless until the seventh inning and Detroit romped to a four-game sweep.

Verlander, who has already pitched two no-hitters in his career, made a bid for another one against



Texas Rangers' Adrian Beltre, left, is grabbed by Leonys Martin, center, and Craig Gentry after Beltre hit the winning RBI single to score Elvis Andrus in the ninth inning of a baseball game against the Boston Red Sox, Sunday, May 5, 2013, in Arlington, Texas. The Rangers won 4-3.

Associated Press

the overmatched Astros in their sixth straight loss.

Carlos Pena got Houston's first hit, a single with one

out in the seventh. Carlos Corporan followed with a single.

Verlander (4-2) struck out

nine and left after the seventh. The 2011 AL MVP and Cy Award Young winner has a 1.55 ERA this season. Prince Fielder homered and drove in four runs. Andy Dirks had four hits, including a home run. Braydan Pena and Omar Infante also went deep.

Detroit has won nine of its last 10 and swept a four-game road series for the first time since taking four at Kansas City in May 2006.

Houston, which has the worst record in the majors, has lost 10 of 11. Philip Humber (0-7) gave up eight runs in four innings.

ATHLETICS 5, YANKEES 4

NEW YORK (AP) — Josh Donaldson hit Oakland's third home run of the game, a tiebreaking drive off Boone Logan in the eighth inning that lifted the Athletics over New York.

Adobe shifts to subscriptions for software package



In this Wednesday, Dec. 13, 2006, file photo, an exterior view of the Adobe headquarters is seen in San Jose, Calif.

BARBARA ORTUTAY
AP Technology Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — Adobe says it is moving to an on-line subscription-based model for the software package it sells to designers, Web developers, video editors and other creative

professionals.

Adobe Systems Inc. said Monday that it will not release new versions of its Creative Suite software package. Instead, the maker of Photoshop, Illustrator and Acrobat, is shifting focus to Creative

Cloud, which makes its software available through a monthly subscription that starts at \$50 for an individual if they sign up for at least a year.

Adobe's move is part an industry trend toward selling software as a subscrip-

tion service rather than as a one-time sale item. Microsoft Corp., for example, makes the new version of Office available as an on-line subscription. The company, however, still gives consumers and businesses the option of purchasing Office as packaged software.

"Customers have to come to terms with end of perpetually licensed software," said IDC analyst Al Hilwa. "Adobe is ahead of the game."

Scott Morris, a senior marketing director at Adobe, said the shift will help the San Jose, California-based company respond to changes in the marketplace much faster. Adobe's engineers, he said, will be freed up to release updates and improvements much faster than the company's traditional 18 to 24-month upgrade cycle. Adobe said its Creative Cloud service has gained 500,000 paying subscribers since the company made it available as an option a year ago.

Morris acknowledged that the change will be a "big transition" for its customers.

He compared it to Adobe's introduction of the Creative Suite package a decade ago. Until that time, the company had sold its software products separately rather than as part of a set.

"One of the things that make us confident with this change is that customers who are moving to Creative Cloud are loving it," he said, citing flexibility and lower upfront costs.

Adobe's packaged version of Creative Suite 6 "Master Collection" cost \$2,256 on Best Buy's website on Monday afternoon, on sale from \$2,380.

Adobe also reaffirmed its financial guidance for the second quarter and for the fiscal year. It still expects adjusted earnings of 29 cents to 35 cents per share on revenue of \$975 million to nearly \$1.03 billion for the current quarter. Analysts, on average, are forecasting adjusted earnings of 34 cents per share and revenue of \$1.01 billion, according to a poll by FactSet. □

The company's stock fell 46 cents to \$46.55 in afternoon trading. □

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EU: Motorola may have violated antitrust rules

BRUSSELS (AP) — The European Commission said Monday that Motorola Mobility may have abused its dominant market position by denying Apple the right to use technology essential for mobile phones. It is a violation of European Union antitrust rules for a patent holder to deny use to technologically essential patents to companies willing to pay a fair and reasonable price for their use. Motorola Mobility, which Google bought in August 2011, obtained a court injunction preventing Apple from using certain

patented technologies considered "standard-essential" for the industry. "The protection of intellectual property is a cornerstone of innovation and growth. But so is competition," said Joaquin Almunia, the European Union's competition commissioner. "I think that companies should spend their time innovating and competing on the merits of the products they offer — not misusing their intellectual property rights to hold up competitors to the detriment of innovation and consumer choice."

The preliminary finding, while not a conclusion that any wrong has been done, could in the end lead to formal anti-trust charges. European Commission spokesman Jonathan Todd said that — if it were concluded that Motorola Mobility had misused its market position, and if a fine were to be imposed — any such fine would be paid by Motorola Mobility rather than by Google. He said most of the activity that may have violated antitrust rules took place before Google acquired the company. □

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BofA leads banks up; S&P 500 index ekes out gain

MATTHEW CRAFT
AP Business Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — Bank of America led a rally in big-bank stocks in mostly quiet trading on Monday. Stock indexes ended little changed following a record-setting run last week. News that Bank of America and MBIA, a bond-insurance company, had reached a settlement over a long-running dispute propelled both companies' stocks up. BofA will pay \$1.7 billion to MBIA and extend the troubled company a credit line.

MBIA soared 45 percent, or \$4.46, to \$14.29. Bank of America gained 5 percent, or 64 cents, to \$12.88, making it the leading company in the Dow Jones industrial average. The Dow slipped 5.07 points to close at 14,968.89. The Standard & Poor's 500 index crept up 3.08 points to 1,617.50, a gain of 0.2 percent.

Six of the 10 industry groups in the S&P 500 rose, with financial companies in the lead. No major economic reports came out Monday, but a handful of companies reported their quarterly results. Tyson Foods, the nation's largest meat-processing company, fell 3

percent, the biggest drop in the Standard & Poor's 500 index, after saying its net income sank as costs for chicken feed rose. Tyson's stock lost 83 cents to \$24.10. Companies have reported solid quarterly profits so far this earnings season. Seven of every 10 big companies in the S&P 500 have beat the earnings estimates of financial

analysts, according to S&P Capital IQ. But revenue has looked weak: six of 10 have missed revenue forecasts. "Yet again, cor-

panies look for ways to raise their revenue. A wave of mergers could shift the stock market's rally into a higher gear, he said. The

four years.

That news sent the Dow through the 15,000 mark for the first time, while the S&P 500 closed above 1,600, another first. In Monday trading, the Nasdaq composite rose 14.34 points to 3,392.97, an increase of 0.4 percent. The price of crude oil edged up 55 cents to \$96.16 and gold rose \$3.80 to \$1,468.10 an ounce.

In the market for U.S. government bonds, the yield on the 10-year note inched up to 1.76 percent from 1.74 percent late Friday.

Berkshire Hathaway rose 1.3 percent, or \$1.36, to \$110. Warren Buffett's company turned in earnings late Friday that trumped analysts' estimates for both profit and revenue. Berkshire reported strong gains from its insurance units, Geico and General Reinsurance, its BNSF Railway company and other investments.

In a round of television interviews on Monday, Buffett said that the stock market still appears reasonably priced even though major indexes are at all-time highs. By contrast, bonds are "a terrible investment right now," he said. Buffett explained that with interest rates at historic lows, a buyer of long-term bonds is bound to take a loss when rates eventually rise.

Among other stocks in the news:

— Sysco dropped 1 percent, or 33 cents, to \$34.33, after the food distributor posted net income and revenue that fell short of analysts' estimates. Sysco's CEO said the company's sales were held back by bad weather that made people less willing to spend on meals away from home. Sysco's

— Monster Beverage sank 2 percent after San Francisco's city attorney sued the company for allegedly marketing its caffeinated drinks to children. Last week, Monster Beverage filed a suit against the same city attorney over demands that the energy drink maker reduce the caffeine in its drinks and change its marketing practices. Monster lost \$1.26 to \$56.18. □



Trader John Santiago works on the floor of the New York Stock Exchange. World stock markets rose Monday May 6, 2013 after an unexpectedly strong U.S. jobs report pushed Wall Street to new highs.
(AP Photo/Richard Drew)

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porations continue to do more with less," said Dan Veru, the chief investment officer of Palisade Capital Management. Veru said the trend is likely to lead to more mergers in the coming months, as cash-rich

stock market cleared new milestones Friday after the government reported that employers added more workers to their payrolls in recent months. The unemployment rate fell to 7.5 percent, the lowest level in

Taiwan's MediaTek profit up 51% in 1Q

ANNIE HUANG
Associated Press

TAIPEI, Taiwan (AP) — MediaTek Inc., Asia's largest chipset designer, said Monday its first quarter profit grew 51 percent from a year earlier, boosted by China's flourishing smartphone market.

The Taiwanese company's net profit totaled 3.7 billion New Taiwan dollars (\$125 million) in the January-March period on revenue of NT\$24 billion.

MediaTek helped fuel the sales growth of China's low-cost handsets by providing integrated, customized chipsets that significantly shorten the time and cost of marketing a new product.

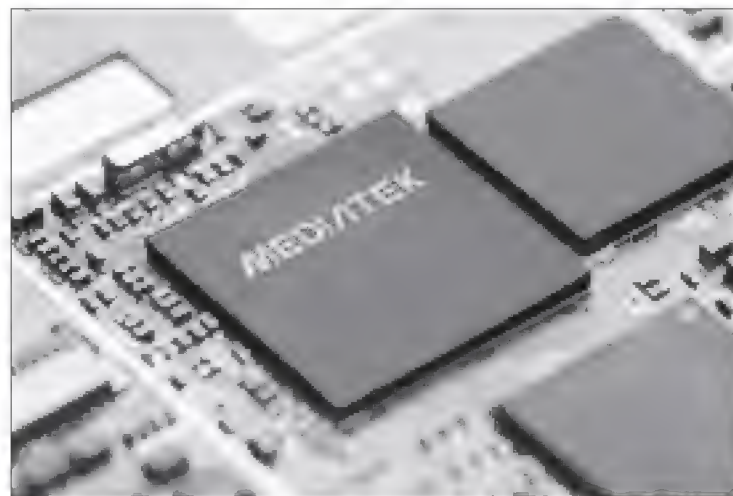
It has delivered more sophisticated chipsets over

the past year to run entry-level smartphones produced in China.

The company shipped 35 million chipsets that power low- and middle-cost smartphones in the first quarter, accounting for more than 40 percent of overall revenue, said MediaTek President Hsieh Ching-jiang.

Chipset volume is expected to grow to 45 to 50 million in the second quarter with demand for smartphones remaining strong in China and in countries such as India and Indonesia, he said.

The chip designer recently launched a dual-core mobile chip for smartphones. Using the cutting-edge 28 nanometer process to produce, the new chip could



MediaTek Inc., Asia's largest chipset designer, said Monday its first quarter profit grew 51% from a year earlier, boosted by China's flourishing smartphone market.
(Handout Photo)

help MediaTek maintain its edge over its Chinese rivals, analysts say.

The company is also moving into the tablet computer market.

Its processor has been selected by Taiwan's Acer Inc. to power a new 7-inch tablet, codenamed Iconia A1, which will sell for as low as \$169.

MediaTek last year an-

nounced a \$3.8 billion takeover of its Taiwanese rival MStar Semiconductor. Chips designed by the two companies for use in televisions have a 70 percent share of the global market. The deal has yet to get approval from China's anti-trust regulators.

Taiwanese regulators are investigating alleged insider trading in the deal. □

COMMODITIES: Wheat, corn, soybeans slip; oil prices rise

The Associated Press

NEW YORK (AP) — Prices for wheat, corn and soybeans fell Monday as investors anticipated bigger supplies and less demand. The price of corn lost nearly 4 percent, wheat fell 2.5 percent and soybeans were down more than 1 percent.

Darin Newsom, senior analyst at the market analysis company DTN in Omaha, Nebraska, said investors are expecting "a long list" of developments that could push crop prices down. International buyers are turning to other countries, like Brazil, for buying corn, Newsom said.

The U.S. Department of Agriculture is set to release its monthly crops report on Friday, which some investors expect will show increased production. The rising value of the dollar also makes people less likely to buy U.S. commodities, since they become more expensive for investors who use other currencies. "The investment side keeps bailing out of agriculture in general," Newsom said. "We see livestock down, we've got grains down. ... Until (investors) have an actual reason to buy again, these markets are going to stay on the defensive." Wheat fell 18.25 cents to \$7.0275 per bushel. Corn lost 24.75 cents to \$6.365 per bushel. Soybeans were down 18 cents to \$13.6925 per bushel. Prices for most metals barely budged, and U.S. stocks rose but only slightly. There were no major economic reports out Monday, and stocks seemed to be coasting on a jobs report Friday that investors largely viewed as positive.

Gold for June delivery edged up \$3.80 to \$1,468 per ounce. June palladium rose \$3.80 to \$697.10 per ounce, and July platinum was up \$6.50 to \$1,507.70 per ounce. July silver edged down 5.9 cents to \$23.955 per ounce. July copper slipped 0.4 cent to \$3.3105 per pound. □

Buffett:

Stocks still reasonable but bonds awful

JOSH FUNK

AP Business Writer

OMAHA, Nebraska (AP)

— Investor Warren Buffett said even though the stock market is soaring, prices appear reasonable, and stocks would be a better investment than bonds for most people.

Buffett conducted interviews Monday on CNBC

when interest rates eventually rise. He said inflation is also likely when the Fed stops buying bonds.

He said the average investor should keep enough cash to be comfortable and invest the rest in equities.

"Stocks are reasonably priced now. They were very cheap a few years ago,"

market soar, Buffett said, but the improving economy has also played a role. Buffett said he remains a fan of Fed Chairman Ben Bernanke. He also reiterated his support of JPMorgan Chase Chairman and CEO Jamie Dimon. He said that bank, which he has invested in for his personal portfolio, has the right CEO.

Buffett said he's not sure what will happen when rates rise.

"It won't go on forever and it's going to be very interesting when the first signal comes out that they're going to advance," he said. Buffett, who heads the Berkshire Hathaway Inc. conglomerate, was also asked about aspects of that company, which owns more than 80 companies and holds major investments in Wells Fargo, IBM, Coca-Cola and other iconic companies.

He defended the way the pending \$23.3 billion takeover of ketchup-maker H.J. Heinz Co. was structured.

He said he expects Berkshire to own a stake in Heinz forever, and he doesn't see a problem in taking a partner — the Brazilian investment firm 3G Capital — in the deal.

Buffett said on CNBC he doesn't consider 3G a traditional private equity firm because it is investing a significant amount of its own money and it runs businesses. Some people had questioned whether the deal that will give Berkshire a 50 percent stake in Heinz represented a change in investment style for Buffett's conglomerate.

Generally Berkshire buys entire companies outright and allows them to continue operating largely unchanged.

Buffett said he hopes Berkshire's stake in Heinz will grow over time.

On another topic, he said traffic is picking up at Berkshire's BNSF railroad as the economy improves. He said the railroad will likely deliver record earnings this year, but will probably still haul fewer carloads than it did before the recession. "It's been a terrific acquisition for Berkshire," Buffett said.

BNSF contributed \$798 million to Berkshire's \$4.89 billion first quarter profit the company reported on Friday. The Omaha-based company's overall profit soared 51 percent over the previous year's \$3.25 billion net income. □



Berkshire Hathaway CEO and Chairman Warren Buffett, right, speaks during an interview with Liz Claman of the Fox Business Network, in Omaha, Neb., Monday, May 6, 2013, with Microsoft founder and Berkshire board member Bill Gates, left. The Berkshire Hathaway shareholders meeting took place over the weekend. (AP Photo/Nati Harnik)

and the Fox Business Network cable channels after a weekend full of events in Omaha for Berkshire Hathaway shareholders.

"Bonds are a terrible investment right now," Buffett said. Buffett said bond prices are artificially inflated because the Federal Reserve continues to buy \$85 billion of bonds a month, and owners of long-term bonds may see big losses

Buffett said on CNBC.

But Buffett said most investors pay too much attention when the stock market reaches record highs. He said average investors should pay more attention when stocks hit records in falling prices because that's a sign they are getting cheaper.

The Federal Reserve's efforts to keep interest rates low have helped the stock

Buffett said the current low interest rates continue to make long-term borrowing like 30-year mortgages attractive, but he expects significant inflation eventually. "Anybody who's borrowing money should borrow out for a long period of time. And if you ever want to get a mortgage, today is the day to get a mortgage," Buffett said on the Fox Business Network.

Wal-Mart Stores takes back top spot from Exxon in Fortune 500

NEW YORK (AP) — Wal-Mart Stores Inc. is once again leading Fortune's list of the 500 biggest U.S. companies by revenue, as the world's biggest retailer succeeded in posting strong growth despite a challenging economy for its shoppers.

The Arkansas-based com-

pany posted revenue of \$469.2 billion for 2012.

Exxon Mobil drops back to No. 2, but energy companies continue to dominate the list with Chevron, Valeo Energy and ConocoPhillips' spin-off Phillips 66 all making the Top 10.

General Motors and Ford Motor both slipped in the

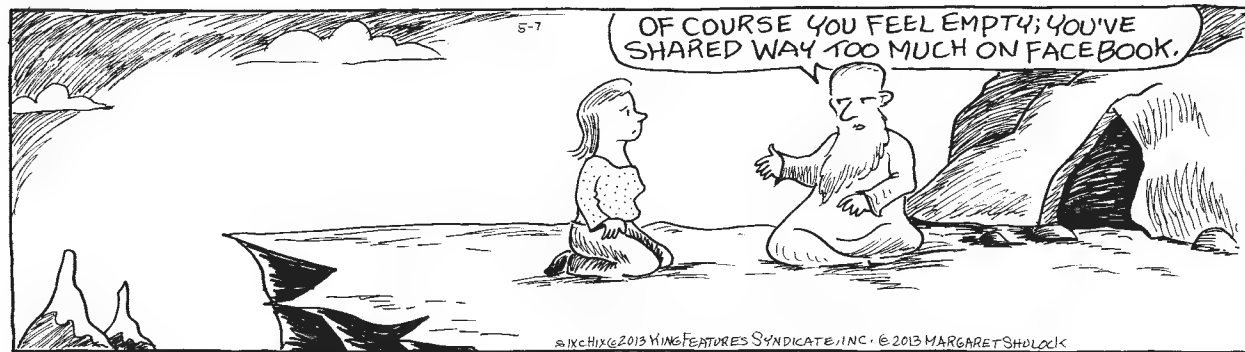
annual ranking but remain near the top, in the company of General Electric and Warren Buffett's industrial conglomerate Berkshire Hathaway.

Apple has jumped 11 spots to crack the Top 10 for the first time, landing at No. 6, while Facebook debuted at No. 482. □

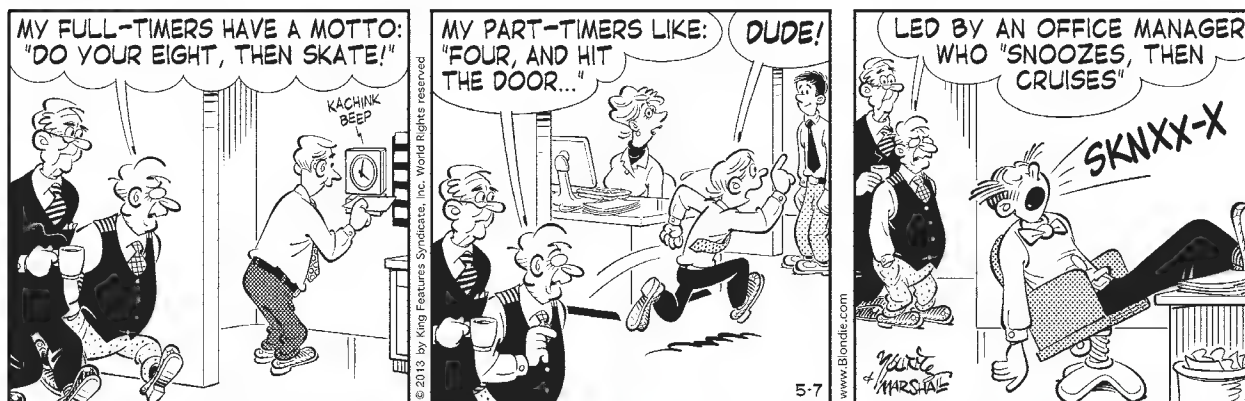
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Speedy customs program works, at least usually

JOE SHARKEY

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Is the popular Global Entry program working as advertised? That's the program that gives members who have been prescreened quick re-entry into the United States at major international airports.

Absolutely yes, says U.S. Customs and Border Protection, the agency that operates Global Entry. The program generates "overwhelmingly positive comments," John Wagner, the acting deputy assistant commissioner for field operations, told me last Friday. The gist of many comments, he said, is: "Holy cow! The government did something right."

I hear the same from many travelers who are delighted to speed through Customs at automated kiosks and avoid the sometimes seemingly interminable international arrival lines. "Traveling in from Tokyo last Monday, it took less than one minute" to clear Customs at Los Angeles International Airport, said Rob Newman, a television commercial producer who travels abroad frequently. "I was out of Immigration and Customs and at my office in Marina del Rey while some people were still waiting in the lines."

Another reader, Eric Evans, said, "No lines, and in less than two minutes I'm through Immigration." And Greeley Koch, the executive director of the Association of Corporate Travel Executives, wrote, "The longest I ever waited in line was 30 seconds."

As I noted in a previous column, applications for Global Entry (www.globalentry.gov), which charges a \$100 processing fee, have more than doubled since early January, to around 50,000 a month. About 1.5 million people have been approved to use the airport re-entry kiosks. But there have been issues, as the technology people say. Readers have continued to tell me about problems with fingerprint scanners. Prints are recorded at enrollment centers, where an applicant who passes

the background check reports for an interview, in the final step of the approval process. When passengers use the airport kiosks to re-enter the country, their fingerprints and passports are scanned.

"It took the agent multiple times to scan my prints"



Many of those using the Global Entry program, the government initiative that allows members who have been prescreened quick re-entry into the U.S. at major international airports, have said the program is working well.

(Chris Gash/The New York Times)

during enrollment at a center at O'Hare International Airport in Chicago, reported Richard J. Harrison. Eliana Sachar said: "I had the same difficulty at enrollment and also when I came back into the coun-

try" at Miami International Airport. "The Customs person told me that I probably did too many dishes and then put on hand cream." Sachar, incidentally, had an experience similar to one I reported in a recent column. After dozens of failed attempts to capture my prints at an enrollment center in Nogales, Ariz., (I spend a lot of time outdoors in the Arizona desert and assumed my skin was simply too dry), the officer first suggested that I wipe my fingertips on my forehead and neck. Frustrated when that failed repeatedly, he had me rub my fingers on his forehead and neck. Bingo, the machine recorded the prints.

At the Miami airport, a customs agent who finally cleared her "did tell me that next time, I should wipe my fingertips on my forehead so that they are 're-oiled,'" Sachar said.

The other day, I asked Wagner at the customs agency about this. "There is a certain small percentage of the population, I'd say in the 3 percent range, that don't have good, readable fingerprints for various reasons. Some

people just have very faint ridges in fingerprints, and we just don't get a good read on them," he said. "But by and large, we're not seeing a huge number of complaints about this." Several readers expressed concern that a failed fingerprint scan would mean being sent to the back of the entry line.

Wagner said that wasn't so. In the relatively small number of failed scans at the entry kiosk, "it just prints out an X and they're instructed to go to the nearest CBP officer," who confirms their identity and processes them quickly, he said.

Koch, of the corporate travel executives' association, said that on the rare occasion when the scanner didn't read his prints properly, the kiosk "prints out a receipt that I take to an inspector, which spares me from having to go to the end of the line."

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Eastern U.S. about to be overrun by cicadas

SETH BORENSTEIN
AP Science Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — Any day now, billions of cicadas with bulging red eyes will crawl out of the earth after 17 years underground and overrun the East Coast of the U.S. They will arrive in such numbers that people from the southern state of North Carolina to Connecticut in the northeast will be outnumbered roughly 600-to-1. Maybe more.

But ominous as that sounds — along with scientists' horror-movie name for the infestation, Brood II — they're harmless. These insects won't hurt you or other animals. At worst, they might damage a few saplings or young shrubs. Mostly they will blanket certain pockets of the region, though lots of people won't ever see them.

"It's not like these hordes of cicadas suck blood or zombie people," says May Berenbaum, a University of Illinois entomologist. They're looking for just one thing: sex. And they've been waiting quite a long time.

Since 1996, this group of 1-inch (25-millimeter) bugs, in wingless nymph form, has been a few feet (a meter) underground, sucking on tree roots and biding their time. They will emerge only when the ground temperature reaches precisely 64 degrees (almost 18 Celsius). After a few weeks up in the trees, they will die and their offspring will go underground, not to return until 2030.

"It's just an amazing accomplishment," Berenbaum says. "How can anyone not be impressed?" And they will make a big racket, too. The noise all the male cicadas make when

they sing for sex can drown out your own thoughts, and maybe even rival a rock concert. In 2004, Gene Kritsky, an entomologist at the College of Mount St. Joseph in Cincinnati, measured cicadas at 94 decibels, saying it was so loud "you don't hear planes flying overhead."

There are ordinary cicadas that come out every year around the world, but these are different. They're called magicicadas — as in magic — and are red-eyed. And these magicicadas are seen only in the eastern half of the United States, nowhere else in the world.

There are 15 U.S. broods that emerge every 13 or 17 years, so that nearly every year, some place is overrun. Last year it was a small area, mostly around the Blue Ridge Mountains of Virginia, West Virginia and Tennessee. Next year, two places get hit: Iowa into Illinois and Missouri; and Louisiana and Mississippi. And it's possible to live in these locations and actually never see them.

This year's invasion, Brood II, is one of the bigger ones. Several experts say that they really don't have a handle on how many cicadas are lurking underground but that 30 billion seems like a good estimate. At the Smithsonian Institution, researcher Gary Hevel thinks it may be more like 1 trillion.

Even if it's merely 30 billion, if they were lined up head to tail, they would reach the moon and back.

"There will be some places where it's wall-to-wall cicadas," says University of Maryland entomologist Mike Raupp.

Strength in numbers is the



This photo provided by the University of Connecticut, shows a cicada in Pipestem State Park in West Virginia on May 27, 2003. Associated Press

key to cicada survival: There are so many of them that the birds can't possibly eat them all, and those that are left over are free to multiply, Raupp says. But why only every 13 or 17 years? Some scientists think they come out in these odd cycles so that predators can't match the timing and be waiting for them in huge numbers. Another theory is that the unusual cycles ensure that differ-

ent broods don't compete with each other much.

And there's the mystery of just how these bugs know it's been 17 years and time to come out, not 15 or 16 years.

"These guys have evolved several mathematically clever tricks," Raupp says. "These guys are geniuses with little tiny brains."

Past cicada invasions have seen as many as 1.5 million bugs per acre. Of

course, most places along the East Coast won't be so swamped, and some places, especially in cities, may see zero, says Chris Simon of the University of Connecticut. For example, Staten Island gets this brood of cicadas, but the rest of New York City and Long Island don't, she says. The cicadas also live beneath the metro areas of Philadelphia, Baltimore and Washington.

While they stay underground, the bugs aren't asleep.

They go through different growth stages and molt four times before ever getting to the surface. They are some of the world's longest-lived insects. They drink up a low-protein tree fluid called xylem, which isn't essential to the tree. Then they go aboveground, where they molt, leaving behind a crusty brown shell, and grow a half-inch bigger.

The timing of when they first come out depends purely on ground temperature. That means early May for southern areas and late May or even June for northern areas.

The males come out first — think of it as getting to the singles bar early, Raupp says. They come out first as nymphs, which are essentially wingless and silent juveniles, climb on to tree branches and molt one last time, becoming adult winged cicadas. They perch on tree branches and sing, individually or in a chorus. Then when a female comes close, the males change their song, they do a dance and mate, he explained.

The males keep mating ("That's what puts the 'cad' in 'cicada,'" Raupp jokes) and eventually the female lays 600 or so eggs on the tip of a branch. The offspring then dive-bomb out of the trees, bounce off the ground and eventually burrow into the earth, he says.

"It's a treacherous, precarious life," Raupp says. "But somehow they make it work." □

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Bill Clinton tried to broker Led Zeppelin reunion

NEW YORK (AP) — It's a diplomatic failure at the highest level: Bill Clinton couldn't get Led Zeppelin to reunite.

The CBS "60 Minutes Over-time" webcast reported Monday that the former president was enlisted to ask the British rock gods to get back together last year for the Superstorm Sandy benefit concert in New York City. He asked, they said no.

David Saltzman of the Robin Hood Foundation says he and film executive Harvey Weinstein flew to Washington to ask Clinton to make the plea. Led Zeppelin's surviving members Robert Plant, John Paul Jones and Jimmy Page were in Washington just before the Sandy concert for the Kennedy Center Honors.

Led Zeppelin last played publicly at a one-night reunion in London in 2007. □

Jason Collins denies he is seeking book deal



This May 1, 2013 photo released by OWN shows host Oprah Winfrey posing with NBA basketball player Jason Collins during an interview for "Oprah's Next Chapter," in Beverly Hills, Calif. The interview aired Sunday.

Associated Press

HILLEL ITALIE
AP National Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — Jason Collins, the National Basketball Association veteran who last week announced he was gay, is disputing reports from publishing insiders who say he is shopping a book deal.

Officials at three publishing houses told The Associated Press on Monday that they had been contacted about a planned memoir by Collins, the first active

player in any of four major U.S. professional sports leagues to come out as gay.

The officials spoke on condition of anonymity because they were not authorized to discuss the proceedings.

Collins tweeted that it wasn't so: "I have no current plans to write any books. Sorry to disappoint my literary loving fans," he said, adding a hashtag "GoingToTheGym." □

Shania Twain announces fall show dates in Vegas



This Dec. 1, 2012 file photo shows Shania Twain performing at The Colosseum at Caesars Palace in Las Vegas.

Associated Press

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Associated Press

LAS VEGAS (AP) — After nearly a decade-long hiatus marred by burnout, a painful divorce and physical problems that affected her ability to sing, country superstar Shania Twain said she's finding her groove as a Las Vegas headliner. On Monday, Twain announced 22 new show dates this fall for "Shania: Still the One," a spectacle at a 4,300-seat Caesars Palace concert hall that includes two trained horses, a live band, and the 47-year-old Canadian beauty clad in sparkling bodysuits and thigh-high boots. She's also staging a run of 12 shows starting May 14.

"I couldn't be any happier," Twain told The Associated Press in a phone call from the Bahamas, where she lives between shows. "It turned out so beautifully and I'm so proud of it."

Twain made her debut in December at the Colosseum, home to fellow Canadian songstress Celine Dion, shortly after parading down the Las Vegas Strip on horseback. But perhaps more significant than her regal grand entrance amid a herd of 40 horses was that the five-time Grammy winner returned to performing at all.

Since releasing the 1997 album "Come on Over," which became the best-selling country album of all time, her life hit a feverish pace of road shows and promotions that continued even after the birth of her son in 2001. After her "Up!" tour wrapped in 2004, it was unclear whether the new mom would ever be back.

"I had moments when I thought I never would, and I would've been OK with that," she said. "I love music and I'd never want to give up music, but did I ever want to put a production together and be on stage again?"

The singer known for "Any Man of Mine" and "That Don't Impress Me" struggled with muscular tension that made singing more difficult.

And in 2008, she was thrust into an unwelcome spotlight by an alleged affair between her then-husband and producer, Robert "Mutt" Lange, and one of her best friends.

Since then, she married that friend's ex-husband, Frederic Thiebaud. They've found some sense of normalcy; Thiebaud coaches Twain's son in soccer, and she said the 11-year-old is a happy child.

"You're never comfortable

with what happened," she said of the failed marriage. But "you get to a stage where everything's just different now, you're now in a new groove, you're going in a new direction."

Though she said she was initially nervous about how the comeback residency would be received, it's sold out for each of its first 24 performances.

Free from the rigors of tour travel, the residency is "a dream performance scenario" that allows her to balance her roles as a mother and as a country superstar.

"Vegas is just a really good setup," she said. "It completely leaves me room to be the parent I want to be."

She said she's written enough songs to fill an album, but isn't ready to return to the studio just yet. Conceiving the elaborate show, with its backup dancers, pumped-in fragrances, and flying motorcycle, has taken up her creative juices for now.

"I'm doing one project at a time. I'll let the Vegas show settle in," Twain said. "I'm not in the spirit of juggling too many balls in the air at one time." Tickets for shows between mid-October and mid-December go on sale Friday. □

Lauryn Hill gets 3 months for failing to pay taxes

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Associated Press
NEWARK, New Jersey (AP)

— Grammy-winning singer Lauryn Hill stood in federal court Monday and compared her experience in the music business to the slavery her ancestors endured before a judge sentenced her to three months in prison for failing to pay about \$1 million in taxes over the past decade.

"I am a child of former slaves who had a system imposed on them," Hill said before U.S. Magistrate Madeline Cox Arleo. "I had an economic system imposed on me."

Hill, who started singing with the Fugees as a teenager in the 1990s before releasing her multiplatinum 1998 album "The Miseducation of Lauryn Hill," pleaded guilty last year to failing to pay taxes on more than \$1.8 million earned from 2005 to 2007. Monday's sentencing also took into account unpaid state and federal taxes in 2008 and 2009 that brought the total earnings to about \$2.3 million.

Despite having paid more than \$900,000 in the past several days, Hill still owes



Eight-time Grammy Award winning singer Lauryn Hill, center, leaves federal court in Newark, N.J., Monday, May 6, 2013, after sentencing in her tax evasion case.
Associated Press

interest and penalties, the U.S. attorney's office said. In a forceful but controlled statement to the judge punctuated by occasional raps with her first on the podium, Hill described how she failed to pay taxes during a period when she'd dropped out of the music business to protect herself and her children, who now number six.

She said the treatment she received while she was in the entertainment business

led to her decision to leave it.

"There were veiled threats, there was blacklisting," she said, without giving specifics. "I was told, 'That's how it goes, it comes with the territory.' I came to be perceived as a cash cow and not a person. When people capitalize on a persona, they forget there is a person in there."

In addition to serving three months in prison, Hill must pay a \$60,000 fine. □

Judge: Sammy Hagar's memoir did not defame woman

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IOWA CITY, Iowa (AP) — A defamation lawsuit against rocker Sammy Hagar filed by a former Playboy bunny who claims he fathered her child has been dismissed, and the former Van Halen frontman is pleased with the result, his attorney said Monday. U.S. District Judge Linda Reade ruled April 30 that Hagar did not defame the woman — identified as Jane Doe in court documents — when he accused her in his 2011 memoir of falsely naming him as the baby's father in order to extort money.

"We're certainly gratified by the result and we hope this means that it's



This Feb. 18, 2012 file photo shows recording artist Sammy Hagar at the Keep Memory Alive 16th Annual "Power of Love Gala" honoring Muhammad Ali in Las Vegas.
Associated Press

all over," said Hagar's attorney, Wesley Kinnear of San Francisco. "It's difficult

to be involved in litigation like this. It was a surprise to him. □

'VJ' tells of sex, drugs, rock 'n' roll at MTV

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"VJ: The Unplugged Adventures of MTV's First Wave" (Atria Books), by Nina Blackwood, Mark Goodman, Alan Hunter, and Martha Quinn with Gavin Edwards

Long before Snooki, there was music. It seems quaint to remember a time when Americans didn't have cable TV, before music videos and reality stars, but the original MTV VJs describe the beginning of one of the most influential media experiments of all time in "VJ: The Unplugged

hind-the-scenes antics and politics will be nirvana for pop culture fans.

It's a totally tubular testament to the excess of the '80s, chockfull of the crazy stories you'd expect — from David Lee Roth's groupie sexcapades to backstage cocaine binges, infidelity and post-MTV career difficulties.

The authors celebrate what brought them together: their passion for music and the people who make it. They marvel at their incredible access to music legends and popular bands, from Madonna's first club dates to covering Live Aid. They dish about some of music's biggest names, but say overall the more famous and talented performers — think Jagger, Bono, Dylan, McCartney — were also the nicest.

The book is dedicated to J.J. Jackson, the fifth original VJ, who died of an apparent heart attack in 2004. The group pays homage to the most experienced of the VJs in many stories and old interviews.

Lyrics from the '80s serve as chapter headings and organize the narrative, while reminding readers of some of the best songs of the iconic era. Photos of the VJs' memorable interviews illustrate anecdotes and show off their big hair. MTV put rocker style on the map, and the VJs fondly remember neon colors, parachute pants, ripped tights and shoulder pads. "MTV really was the epicenter of hip ... on the leading edge, at the beginning of every new trend ... always morphing before viewers had a chance to catch up," says Hunter. Readers may be surprised that the VJs were overworked and underpaid throughout their time at the channel. Quinn says she made a "whopping \$26K," and often helped the crew when they needed a hand. □



This book cover image released by Atria Books shows "VJ: The Unplugged Adventures of MTV's First Wave," by Nina Blackwood, Mark Goodman, Alan Hunter, and Martha Quinn.
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Adventures of MTV's First Wave."

Video jockeys Nina Blackwood, Mark Goodman, Alan Hunter and Martha Quinn — with help from rock writer Gavin Edwards — provide an oral history of the launch of the network that pioneered unscripted entertainment, and brought Michael Jackson's dance moves and Jon Bon Jovi's hair into our living rooms.

The book is an easy-to-read compilation of interviews with the VJs. A fitting subtitle would be "Sex, Drugs and Rock and Roll." The VJs' candor about their relationships and be-

Not Enough Inflation



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Ever since the financial crisis struck, and the Federal Reserve began "printing money" in an attempt to contain the damage, there have been dire warnings about inflation – and not just from the Ron Paul/Glenn Beck types. Thus, in 2009, the influential conservative monetary economist Allan Meltzer warned that we would soon become "inflation nation." In 2010, the Paris-based Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development urged the Fed to raise interest rates to head off inflation risks (even though its own models showed no such risk). In 2011, Rep. Paul Ryan, then the newly installed chairman of the House Budget Committee, raked Ben Bernanke, the Fed chairman, over the coals, warning of looming inflation and intoning solemnly that it was a terrible thing to "debase" the dollar.

And now, sure enough, the Fed really is worried about inflation. You see, it's getting too low.

Before I get to the trouble with low inflation, however, let's talk about what we should have learned so far.

It's not hard to see where inflation fears were coming from. In its efforts to prop up the economy, the Fed has bought more than \$2 trillion of stuff – private debts, housing agency debts, government bonds. It has paid for these purchases by crediting funds to the reserves of private banks, which isn't exactly printing money, but is close enough for government work. Here comes hyperinflation!

Or, actually, not. From the beginning, it was or at least should have been obvious that the financial crisis had plunged us into a "liquidity trap," a situation in which many people figure that they might just as well sit on cash. America spent most of the 1930s in a liquidity trap; Japan has been in one since the mid-1990s. And we're in one now.

Economists who had studied such traps – a group that included Ben Bernanke and, well, me – knew that some of the usual rules of economics are in abeyance as long as the trap lasts. Budget deficits, for example, don't drive up interest rates; printing money isn't inflationary; slashing government spending has really destructive effects on incomes and employment.

The usual suspects dismissed all this analysis; it was "liquidity claptrap," declared Alan Reynolds of

the Cato Institute. But that was four years ago, and the liquidity trappers seem to have been right, after all.

And it's worth mentioning another issue on which the inflation non-worriers have been vindicated: how to measure inflation trends. The Fed relies on a measure that excludes food and energy prices, which fluctuate widely from month to month. Many commentators ridiculed this focus on "core" inflation, especially in early 2011, when rising food and energy prices briefly sent "headline" inflation above 4 percent even as the core stayed low. But, sure enough, inflation came back down.

So all those inflation fears were wrong, and those who fanned those fears proved, in case you were wondering, that their economic doctrine is completely wrong – not that any of them will ever admit such a thing.

And, at this point, inflation – at barely above 1 percent by the Fed's favored measure – is dangerously low.

Why is low inflation a problem? One answer is that it discourages borrowing and spending and encourages sitting on cash. Since our biggest economic problem is an overall lack of demand, falling inflation makes that problem worse.

Low inflation also makes it harder to pay down debt, worsening the private-sector debt troubles that are a main reason overall demand is too low.

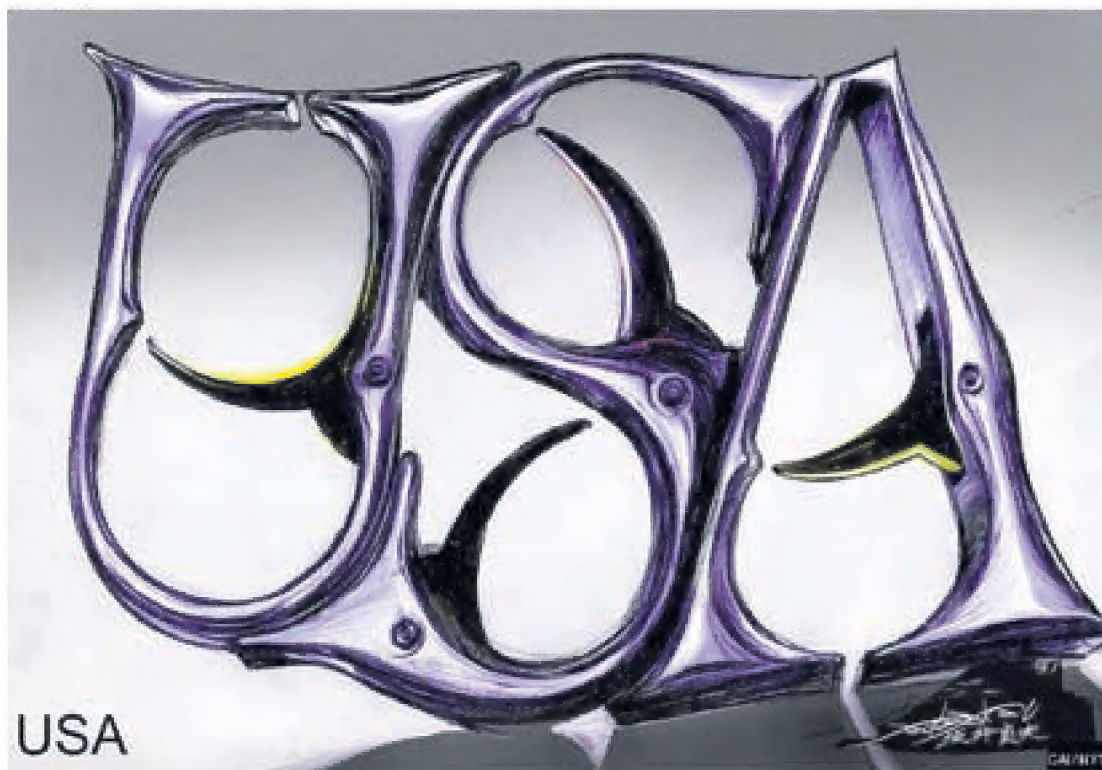
So why is inflation falling? The answer is the economy's persistent weakness, which keeps workers from bargaining for higher wages and forces many businesses to cut prices. And if you think about it for a minute, you realize that this is a vicious circle, in which a weak economy leads to too-low inflation, which perpetuates the economy's weakness.

And this brings us to a broader point: the utter folly of not acting to boost the economy, now.

Whenever anyone talks about the need for more stimulus, monetary and fiscal, to reduce unemployment, the response from people who imagine themselves wise is always that we should focus on the long run, not on short-run fixes. The truth, however, is that by failing to deal with our short-run mess, we're turning it into a long-run, chronic economic malaise.

I wrote recently about how, by allowing long-term unemployment to persist, we're creating a permanent class of unemployed Americans. The problem of too-low inflation is very different in detail, but similar in its implications: here, too, by letting short-run economic problems fester we're setting ourselves up for a long-run, perhaps permanent, pattern of economic failure.

The point is that we are failing miserably in responding to our economic challenge – and we will be paying for that failure for many years to come. □



The Confidence Responses



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A few columns ago, I asked readers to give me their feedback about questions having to do with self-confidence: Are women still less self-confident than men? Do we have more to fear from overconfidence or underconfidence? I've read through a mountain of responses, and my first reaction is awe at the diversity of the human experience.

I went looking for patterns in this survey. Were younger people more likely to say women are self-confident than older people?

But it was really hard to see consistent correlations and trends. The essays were highly idiosyncratic, and I don't want to impose a false order on them that isn't there. Let me just string together some of the interesting points people made.

Many men wrote to say that the real crisis these days is male underconfidence. Here's a law student from Chicago: "I firmly believe one of the unintended consequences of the feminist revolution has been that men in my generation are raised without a strong self-identity, and, in essence, grow up to be little more than boys looking for mothers."

A few women wrote that family dynamics were the sources of their underconfidence. One 58-year-old mom wrote that mothers "might as well have had,

as a friend of mine puts it, 'our vocal cords cut.' We want to talk in nice voices and stay calm and sit down and have a heart-to-heart. Our children want the five-minute version – direct, to the point. They come back at anything we say with smart remarks that knock the wind out of our sails."

More women wrote about conflicts with other women than about conflicts with men. One retired Army officer wrote, "Girls and women are highly critical of any other girl or woman who exhibits confidence. Men, on the whole, do not 'shut down' women who are intelligent and confident, but women do."

One small-business owner put it this way: "I have enjoyed a lot of professional success because I do not present a threat to other women. They trust me and attach to me and stay bonded because I pay so little attention to appearances, dress and style – theirs or mine. My strategy, if at all deliberate, was to become 'invisible' and pass gently through the world as wallpaper, leading as a border collie rather than an alpha dog."

Mallory Shaddix theorized that both men and women may suffer equally from underconfidence, but they present this trait differently.

Men are more likely to bluff their way through. Women are more likely to be skeptical or ask advice or be passive. Betsy Frank observed that if you create a confidence scale from "None" to "Hubris," there seems to be more people at the extremes now than in decades past.

A few experienced coaches noted that when you criticize a team or group, the women are more likely to take the criticism personally, while the guys are more likely to figure somebody else is at fault.

I was struck by the dappled nature of self-confidence, as peo-

ple transmogrify from high self-confidence to low. One political consultant wrote, "I am 71, am loving the last chapter of a very successful life, and would say I have a great deal of self-confidence. Yet, sometimes it's as if I have suddenly become invisible – a short gray-haired woman of a certain age can become a blur, especially to powerful older men and to young women who never suspect they will get old."

A journalist from Utah writes: "I'm an overweight woman, but I feel robust."

And I know people like to hug and cuddle me because my body is, as they say 'comfortable.' (I sometimes say 'plush.') I know I don't look good in shorts, but I don't hate myself for it. I choose to wear dresses that are more flattering, and I walk with confidence instead of despair."

One of the calmest letters came from Carol Collier, who works at Covenant College. She wrote: "As a believer in Jesus Christ, I see myself as redeemed, forgiven and covered in the righteousness of Jesus Christ."

I believe that this is how God sees me, all the time and without exception. I believe that his smile and delight in me is unwavering. This view of myself is quite simple yet with profound implications. It allows me to accept criticism without self-condemnation and to accept affirmations without exalting myself. This is the ideal view of myself that I am always working at. It is a struggle, but a good one."

I'll try to harvest more social trends later. But, in the meantime, I'm struck by how hard it is to have the right stable mix of self-confidence and self-criticism without some external moral framework or publicly defined life calling. If it's just self-appraisal – one piece of your unstable self judging another unstable piece – it's subjectivity all the way down. □

Love me two times, babe:

The Doors play again in an encore for the iPad

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A new iPad app chronicling the rock legends the Doors has all the bells and whistles you would expect of electronic entertainment in 2013: immersive multimedia, cloud integration with iTunes, a ready connection to Facebook. The driving force behind it, however, is no 20-something Silicon Valley consultant. It is the 81-year-old Jac Holzman, who started Elektra Records as a teenager in 1950 and remains one of the music industry's most passionate and punctilious tech nuts.

"I'm always interested in how I can take technology and make it work for music," he said in a recent interview. "That's what my life's been about, from the earliest days of Elektra. How can we make better records?"

"Not everybody's going to appreciate everything that's in this app, but I think most people will."

For more than a year of seven-day weeks – on weekends at the office, he keeps Turner Classic Movies on mute, "so I don't feel lonely" – Holzman has labored over the app with a small team, viewing it as a test for how record companies can market their catalogs digitally, now that sales of lushly designed, holiday-ready boxed sets have plunged.

The app, which went on sale Monday for \$4.99, resembles a digital coffee table book, with video interviews, written contributions from figures like Francis Ford Coppola and Patti Smith, and appendices too big for any stocking stuffer, like 30 pages of transcripts from Jim Morrison's indecent-exposure trial in 1970. Snippets of Doors songs point customers to Apple's iTunes store, where remastered versions of the band's albums, released by the Warner Music Group's Rhino label, will also go on sale this week. The company will need to

sell about 40,000 copies of the app to recoup its costs. "I should have known that I would get so wrapped up in this, that it would take a year," Holzman said, between bites of a cookie in the sprawling Rockefeller Center board room of the Warner group, which he helped create in 1970 with the \$10 million sale of Elektra. "But critical to being successful in this kind of stuff is just a love of the process itself."

Elektra played a primary role in the folk revival with acts like Josh White, Theo-

ally the first world-music label. They had really good taste."

The Doors' success ushered in a wave of rock signings at Elektra, from cult heroes like the Stooges and the MC5 to Queen.

In 1973 Holzman left the label to become the chief technologist at Warner Communications, a somewhat less than full-time gig that he completed while living in Hawaii – halfway, he noted, between Japan and the emergent Silicon Valley.

A demonstration of the

been a boon for singles."

In 2004, after an investor consortium led by Edgar M. Bronfman Jr. bought the Warner group for \$2.6 billion, Holzman – who had had intermittent involvement with the company since the mid-1980s – emailed Bronfman with an unsolicited critique of the business. They met, and Bronfman invited him back to run a digital-only label, Cordless, and redesign the company's antiquated royalty accounting system. "Jac is technologically savvy, he's artist-centric, he's

app, a sortable, fine-grain guide to decades of jazz.) One aspect that is not covered in the Doors app, however, is the band's messy recent legal history. The surviving members, who besides Densmore include the keyboardist Ray Manzarek and the guitarist Robby Krieger, have fought over whether to license the band's songs for commercials, and in 2003 Densmore sued the others to stop them from touring under the name the Doors of the 21st Century. That case, which Densmore



Jac Holzman, who started Elektra Records as a teenager in 1950, holds an iPad with a beta version of his new Doors app at his office in Santa Monica, Calif. The iPad app chronicling the rock legends will go on sale with all the bells and whistles of electronic entertainment in 2013: immersive multimedia, cloud integration with iTunes, and a ready connection to Facebook.

(Stephanie Diani/The New York Times)

dore Bikel and Judy Collins. But by the mid-'60s, with the New York scene "picked over" by rival labels, Holzman said, he began looking to Los Angeles and rock. He signed the Doors in 1966 with a \$5,000 advance and a promise to release three albums.

"We all liked Elektra because it was a boutique label," said John Densmore, the Doors' drummer. "'Oh, my God, we can be on the same label as Paul Butterfield!' We liked that he also had this esoteric label, Nonesuch, which was re-

laser disc in 1971 got him excited for a future of digitized media, and speaking now, he criticizes the major labels' response to the arrival of online music with a candor rare among the industry's old guard.

"Digital changed the nature of the music business, and the music business reacted with a kind of indifference and fear," Holzman said in his characteristic precise enunciation. "Napster drove everybody crazy but me. I thought Napster was a missed opportunity. It could have

financially fluent, and he is one of the few people who is able to put it all together in a package," Bronfman said. "I knew he had a tremendous amount to add to the company."

Holzman eagerly showed off the documentary details of the app, including exhaustive visual inventories of the band's recording equipment and a Doors-era map of Hollywood annotated down to Morrison's favorite liquor store. (One of the few apps with comparable depth is Blue Note Records' Spotify

won, is recalled at length in his new book, "The Doors Unhinged."

Holzman declined to comment about that omission from the app's otherwise thorough history of the band. Instead he spoke enthusiastically about the fiber-optic cable connection at his home office in Santa Monica, Calif., which he uses for high-quality interviews by phone, and why he never wants to retire fully.

"Wherever technology impacts music," he said, "I'm going to be there." □